

WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS PRANKSTER SIMON BRODKIN ANNOUNCES AUTUMN TOUR EXTENSION FOR LEE NELSON WITH HIS HIT SHOW, SERIOUS JOKER

"Never lost for words, never less than ingenious" **Dominic Maxwell, The Times**

"The guy has a gift" **Matt Bonesteel, The Washington Post**

"You should be ashamed of yourself" **Sepp Blatter**

SIMON BRODKIN has announced 39 new dates for LEE NELSON this autumn with his hit show, Serious Joker. The acclaimed character comedian will kick off the extension to his nationwide tour on 19th September, with a performance at London's IndigO2 on 2nd December. Tickets are available to buy at leenelson.com

After a year that saw him make the acquaintance of some of the world's most newsworthy and least likable human beings including PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP, SIMON COWELL and SIR PHILIP "BHS DESTROYER" GREEN, Channel 4 secured exclusive and unrestricted access to SIMON in 2016 as he lifted the lid on the months of meticulous planning and preparation that go into pulling off a successful stunt. Britain's Greatest Hoaxer aired on the channel in February 2017.

2015 saw SIMON create one of the year's most iconic images when, as Premier League footballer JASON BENT, he showered disgraced FIFA President SEPP BLATTER in bank notes at the organisation's headquarters in Zurich, live on TV in front of world's press. Previously SIMON has joined KANYE WEST onstage during the rapper's headline set at Glastonbury, gate-crashed a prime-time Saturday night broadcast of The X Factor (ITV), and joined the England football team ahead of their flight to the 2014 World Cup in Brazil.

SIMON has written and starred in Lee Nelson's Well Good Show and Lee Nelson's Well Funny People on BBC Three. As LEE he has hosted and twice appeared as a guest on Live at the Apollo (BBC One), and has also performed on shows including Sunday Night at the Palladium (ITV) and The John Bishop Christmas Show (BBC One), as well as releasing a live stand-up DVD. In 2015 – 2016 SIMON toured the country as LEE with his show Suited & Booted, his fourth sell-out nationwide stand-up tour. SIMON's additional TV credits include Channel 4's Comedy Gala, Absolutely Fabulous (BBC One), and Children In Need (BBC One). He has taken six solo shows to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, where he won the *Writer's Guild Award* for Best Newcomer.

For the full list of dates see: www.leenelson.com

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