ARI SHAFFIR
THIS IS NOT HAPPENING

US comedian ARI SHAFFIR will make a UK debut with a stage adaption of his hit Comedy Central story-telling television series This Is Not Happening at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. Join SHAFFIR as he invites some of his favourite comic guests to tell their favourite, most embarrassing, or just plain funniest true-life stories in front of a live audience at the Pleasance Ace Dome on weekends this August. Nothing is off limits.

SHAFFIR flooded Comedy Central's airwaves earlier this year with a one-hour stand-up special Ari Shaffir: Paid Regular, followed by the storytelling stand-up series This Is Not Happening and rounded off with his first one-hour stand-up special Ari Shaffir: Passive Aggressive, adding to a list of multiple television credits including: appearing on Comedy Underground with Dave Attell and Brody Stevens: Enjoy It!, joining the panel as a guest on @midnight (all Comedy Central) and featuring on The Green Room with Paul Provenza, (Showtime) and Down & Dirty with Jim Norton (HBO).

Throughout the eight-episode series of This Is Not Happening, comedians including ROB CORDDRY (The Daily Show), KEEGAN-MICHAEL KEY (Parks and Recreation) and MARC MARON (WTF with Marc Maron podcast) were invited to tell their life tales which covered topics including Drugs, Emergencies, Wonder Years, Battles, Romance, and Travel. The show, executive produced by SHAFFIR, JEFF TOMSIC, ERIC ABRAMS and Avalon's SAM SAIFER, was met with critical acclaim and due to popular has had a second series commissioned which will be broadcast next year. SHAFFIR is currently developing a scripted series for FX.

SHAFFIR performs stand-up to sold out crowds nationwide and has been featured at the prestigious Montreal Just for Laughs Festival, San Francisco SketchFest, SXSW, the Bridgetown Comedy Festival, and the Moontower Comedy and Oddity Festival. His stand-up album Revenge for the Holocaust was released in 2012 and went to number 1 on iTunes and amazon.com the week of its premiere.

In addition to his TV and stand-up projects, SHAFFIR also hosts the wildly popular podcast The Skeptic Tank, a weekly interview show on which he chats with everyone from parents to comedians "to help better understand humanity and also to make fart jokes." The podcast is consistently among the top-rated podcasts on iTunes and averages over 100,000 downloads per week.

WHAT THE PRESS HAS SAID ABOUT ARI SHAFFIR

It's often as cringe-inducing as you'd expect, with Shaffir's banter holding the whole thing together **AVClub.com**
Comedy Central's new comic of the moment **Uproxx.com**
Ari Shaffir may unseat McConaughey as the hardest working stoner in show business **Maxim**

LISTINGS INFORMATION
Ari Shaffer – This is Not Happening

Venue:	Pleasance Ace Dome
Date:	Weekends
Time:	11 pm
Box Office:	0131 556 6550
Web:	www.wearelivecomedy.com

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LINE-UP

ARI SHAFFIR THIS IS NOT HAPPENING
THURS - SUN ONLY | 23:00 | PLEASANCE DOME
6/8 Julian Deane Craig Campbell
7/8 Kyle Kinane Steve Bugeja
8/8 Alex Edelman Andrew Ryan
9/8 Janey Godley Brendon Burns
13/8 Sam Simmons Tiff Stevenson
14/8 Alfie Brown Carl Donnelly
15/8 Pete Johansson Jarlath Regan
16/8 Omid Singh John Robins
20/8 Valdemar Pustelnik Jena Freidman
21/8 Michael Che Steve Hall
22/8 Ed Gamble Joel Dommett
23/8 Iain Stirling Carl Hutchinson
27/8 Glenn Wool Chris Dangerfield
28/8 Angela Barnes Al Murray
29/8 Felicity Ward Mark Smith
30/8 John Hastings Phil Wang