

# COMEDY AWARD WINNER ROSE MATAFEO RETURNS TO THE EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE WITH HORNDOG: THE BEST SHOW OF 2018

*Rose Matafeo is going to be huge ★★★★★ Alice Jones, The I*

*Matafeo is an astute, often hilarious observer of millennial life ★★★★★ The Telegraph, Rupert Hawksley*

*Another storming set from a woman whose neuroses, intelligence and flamboyant sense of her own ridiculousness make her a near-perfect comedian ★★★★★ Brian Logan, Guardian*

*This Kiwi livewire has been on the cusp of breaking through in the UK for a couple of years and Horndog feels like her moment ★★★★★ Bruce Dessau, Evening Standard*

Comedy Award Winner **Rose Matafeo** will perform a limited run of the best comedy show of 2018, *Horndog*, at this year's Edinburgh Festival Fringe at the Pleasance Beyond from 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> August at 21:30. Presented by Berk's Nest and Avalon, and directed by Phoebe Bourke, tickets can be found at [Pleasance.co.uk](http://Pleasance.co.uk).

A whirlwind of stand-up, sketch and mid 20s angst, *Horndog* has enjoyed successful performances around the world with sell-out shows at the New Zealand International Comedy Festival, a Barry Award nominated run at the Melbourne Comedy Festival, before being crowned *Best Show* at the prestigious *Edinburgh Comedy Awards 2018*. The show was simultaneously highlighted as one of the best shows at the Fringe in the Guardian, Vogue, Evening Standard, The Mirror, Chortle, and British Comedy Guide. Rose will also be performing throughout the Fringe in SNORT, New Zealand's cult favourite late-night improv show, alongside **Alice Snedden, Guy Montgomery, Chris Parker** and more. SNORT plays at The Pleasance Courtyard, 1st-25th August (not 12th).

A regular face on television, Rose wrote and starred in the three part series *Rose Matafeo: Temp* for Channel 4's Comedy Blaps, she has featured on *Have I Got News For You* (BBC One), *The Royal Variety Performance* (ITV 1), *Unspun with Matt Forde* (Dave), *Ultimate Worrier* (Dave), *Hypothetical* (UKTV), and *The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice* (Channel 4) in the UK, and *Conan* (TBS) in the U.S. In New Zealand Rose was the head writer and star of *Funny Girls* (TV3), a regular on panel show *7 Days* (Three Now NZ), and has written and starred on New Zealand comedy show *Jono And Ben At Ten* (TV3, NZ). Rose has acted in BBC One's *W1A*, BBC Three's web series *Pls Like* and *Climaxed*, and has just shot her first lead film role in the upcoming feature *Baby Done* (Piki Films).

## WHAT THE PRESS HAS SAID ABOUT ROSE MATAFEO

*The Rose Matafeo bandwagon is about to leave: I recommend you take a seat...See this winning 26-year-old this year and you'll have bragging rights to hold over your friends in a few years' time when she's jumped to bigger venues ★★★★★ Herald Sun*

*A real force of nature ★★★★★ Paul Fleckney, Chortle*

*The 26-year-old Kiwi's comedy resonates, her charisma is undeniable ★★★★★ Craig Angus, The List*

*Comics don't come much more exciting than Rose Matafeo ★★★★★ Fergus Morgan, Fest*

*Such positivity and exuberance mixed with real smarts and stand-up chops are a rare treat indeed ★★★★★ Tony Makos, The Skinny*

*Horndog is a superbly funny show from a wonderful comic at the top of her game ★★★★★ Daisy Malt, Three Weeks*

*Wonderfully clever and heartwarming ★★★★★ Veronica Lee, Arts Desk*

#### LISTINGS INFORMATION

Venue: Pleasance Courtyard, Beyond

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> August

Time: 9:30pm

Tickets: [Pleasance.co.uk](http://Pleasance.co.uk)

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