

FRANK SKINNER ANNOUNCES MAN IN A SUIT UK TOUR

Following his sold out London run, FRANK SKINNER will take to the road in April 2014 for the first time since his sell-out nationwide tour in 2007 with 35 performances only of his new show Man In a Suit.

Pre-sale tickets will be available to purchase at frankskinnerlive.com from 9am on Wednesday 15th January at and will go on general sale on Friday 17th January.

Man In a Suit sold out its debut run at London's Soho Theatre in October 2013. Standing seats have now been released for FRANK's upcoming five week run at the Leicester Square Theatre from January 21st.

FRANK SKINNER is the host of BBC One's Room 101 (which returns for a new series at 8.30pm on January 24th) and the *Sony Award* winning Absolute Radio show with over 600,000 listeners every Saturday morning and more than 13 million downloads as a podcast, with 2.8 million in 2013 alone, making it both Absolute and commercial radio's most successful podcast. FRANK recently hosted Portrait Artist of the Year with JOAN BAKEWELL (Sky Arts).

FRANK SKINNER's Man In a Suit tour runs from 2nd April – 6th June 2014

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NOTES TO EDITORS

FRANK SKINNER's live career began in 1987 when he spent £400 of his last £435 booking a room at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. Four years later in 1991 he returned to the city and beat fellow nominees JACK DEE and EDDIE IZZARD to take home comedy's most prestigious prize, *The Perrier Award*. He last toured the UK in 2007 with the twice-extended, totally sold-out Frank Skinner Live which included three homecoming gigs at Birmingham's NIA.

As a television and radio performer, FRANK SKINNER has hosted three series of Frank Skinner's Opinionated for BBC Two, wrote and starred in two series of the critically-acclaimed comedy drama series Don't Start for BBC Radio 4 and created The Frank Skinner Show (ITV), which is widely credited as setting the tone for the modern comedic chat show and ran for nine years, attracting 11 million viewers at its peak. He has twice hosted Have I Got News for You, presented a documentary investigating the life of GEORGE FORMBY (BBC Four) and authored a Panorama (BBC One) special on taste and decency.

With DAVID BADDIEL, FRANK SKINNER created and presented Fantasy Football and Baddiel and Skinner Unplanned (ITV). Alongside THE LIGHTNING SEEDS the pair attained three number one hits with the football anthem Three Lions.

As an author, FRANK SKINNER has published Dispatches from the Sofa; a collection of columns he wrote for The Times over a two year period and has written two autobiographies, the first of which, Frank Skinner, was the top selling autobiography of 2002, spending 46 weeks in The Sunday Times Bestseller List. The second Frank Skinner On The Road, chronicled his 2007, sell-out return to stand-up.

WHAT THE PRESS HAVE SAID ABOUT FRANK SKINNER

"You could put Skinner down in front of any audience at any time and he would have it in stitches...a joyous saboteur of television's bloated sense of self importance whose timeless classical bawdiness embraces all alternative and mainstream tastes." **The Guardian**

"Frank is a terrifically gifted individual who consistently out-funnies his contemporaries." **Mail On Sunday**

"raucously hilarious" **Chortle**

"Only a curmudgeon would fail to be impressed by this cracking comeback." **The Daily Telegraph**

"This show is a timely reminder of just why the Black Country comic stood out from the crowd in the first place. Welcome back Frank." **Metro**

"This is a terrific, feel-good show...He can still do it, old Frank. He is warm, relaxed, down-to-earth and properly funny...It is hilarious stuff. Skinner's delivery is so gentle, so friendly, that there is no sense of the judgmental, of ridiculing. And that actually makes it much funnier. This is the work of a seriously skilled stand-up"

The Scotsman

"Highly accomplished and very funny". **The Independent**

"You could put Skinner down in front of any audience at any time and he would have it in stitches." **Waldemar Januszczak**

"Britain's sharpest comic mind." **Andy Coulson**

TOUR DATES

Date	Venue	Box office number
02- Apr-14	Southend Cliffs Pavilion	01702 351135
03-Apr-14	Southend Cliffs Pavilion	01702 351135
04-Apr-14	Preston Guildhall Theatre	0844 844 7710
05-Apr-14	Preston Guildhall Theatre	0844 844 7710
11-Apr-14	Cardiff St. David's Hall	029 2087 8444
12-Apr-14	Cardiff St. David's Hall	029 2087 8444
13-Apr-14	Bournemouth Windsor Hall	0844 576 3000
16-Apr-14	Wolverhampton Civic Hall	0870 320 7000
17-Apr-14	Wolverhampton Civic Hall	0870 320 7000
22-Apr-14	Birmingham Symphony Hall	0121 345 0600
23-Apr-14	Birmingham Symphony Hall	0121 345 0600
24-Apr-14	Birmingham Symphony Hall	0121 345 0600
25-Apr-14	Newcastle City Hall	0191 277 8030
27-Apr-14	Glasgow Kings Theatre	0844 871 7648
28-Apr-14	Liverpool Philharmonic	0151 709 3789
01-May-14	Reading Hexagon	0118 9606060
02-May-14	Bristol Colston Hall	0844 887 1500
03-May-14	Bristol Colston Hall	0844 887 1500
04-May-14	Leicester De Montfort	0116 233 3111
08-May-14	Portsmouth Guildhall	0844 847 2362
09-May-14	Basingstoke Anvil	01256 844244
10-May-14	Oxford New Theatre	0844 871 3020
13-May-14	Northampton Royal & Derngate	01604 624811
14-May-14	Northampton Royal & Derngate	01604 624811
15-May-14	Guildford G live	0844 7701 797
16-May-14	Guildford G live	0844 7701 797

17-May-14	Worthing Assembly Hall	01903 206 206
18-May-14	Coventry Warwick Arts Centre	024 7652 4524
21-May-14	Nottingham Royal Centre	0115 989 5555
29-May-14	Sheffield City Hall	0114 2 789 789
30-May-14	Watford Colosseum	0845 075 3993
31-May-14	Watford Colosseum	0845 075 3993
01-Jun-14	Brighton Centre	0844 847 1515
05-Jun-14	Manchester 02 Apollo Theatre	08444 777 677
06-Jun-14	Manchester 02 Apollo Theatre	08444 777 677