

# FRANK SKINNER

## MAN IN A SUIT

### BRAND NEW LIVE SHOW ANNOUNCED, 9 PERFORMANCES ONLY

FRANK SKINNER today announced a brand new stand-up show with a run of performances at London's Soho Theatre this November. Man In a Suit will give fans a unique opportunity to catch the comedy legend in an intimate setting with just nine shows on sale. Tickets are available to buy from Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September at [www.sohotheatre.com](http://www.sohotheatre.com)

FRANK SKINNER is the host of BBC One's Room 101 and his own *Sony Award* winning Absolute Radio show with over 600,000 listeners every Saturday morning and more than 13 million downloads as a podcast. In 2013 FRANK SKINNER interviewed STEVEN MOFFAT for a session at the 2013 Edinburgh Festival and captained a team on BBC One's Saturday night show I Love My Country. He is currently filming Portrait Artist of the Year with JOAN BAKEWELL (Sky Arts).

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##### LISTINGS INFORMATION

Soho Theatre, LONDON

9.15pm

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

0207 478 0100

## 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**

*"Ten years have elapsed since Frank Skinner's last major stand-up gig, at Battersea Power Station. But in the intervening decade, the comedian has lost none of his charisma or razor-sharp wit"* **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**