

THE VOICE OF LOVE ISLAND, STAND-UP IAIN STIRLING, RETURNS TO THE EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE WITH ONWARDS!

Fresh from “*offering up short, sharp and smart thoughts...adding topical panel show vibe to proceedings*” (Radio Times) on ITV2’s hit show Love Island this summer, Edinburgh’s very own Scottish BAFTA award winning and triple BAFTA nominated comedian IAIN STIRLING will return to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe following 4 consecutive sell-out runs. Looking at the generational pressures we face today, IAIN will shed an “*intriguing twentysomething perspective on the current state of his nation*” (Guardian Guide) in his fifth stand-up show Onwards!

A well-known face on television, IAIN recently returned to voice the second series of Love Island (ITV2) alongside presenter CAROLINE FLACK which has enjoyed rating successes, often attracting over a million viewers and attracting praise for his role in the show including “*Love Island would not be the same without the witty remarks and sassy one-liners*” (OK!) and “*the 28-year-old is quickly emerging as our favourite star of the ITV2 show*” (Daily Record). Love Island (ITV2) adds to a list of multiple television credits including Drunk History (Comedy Central), Russell Howard’s Good News (BBC Three), Russell Howard’s Stand Up Central (Comedy Central), Fake Reaction and Safe Word (ITV2), Sweat the Small Stuff (BBC Three) and hosting his own Scottish BAFTA winning (best children’s show) panel show The Dog Ate My Homework (CBBC). A regular voice on the radio too, IAIN has made appearances on shows including The Now Show and Dilemma (both BBC Radio 4), Afternoon Edition (BBC Radio 5 Live), Cel Spellman (BBC Radio One) and recorded a Radio One takeover.

IAIN burst onto the comedy scene whilst studying for a Law degree at Edinburgh University, reaching the finals of both the *Paramount Funniest Student competition* (2009), and the *Chortle Student Comedian of the Year competition* (2009) and has since performed four consecutive sold out and acclaimed shows, Happy To Be The Clown? (2012), Iain Stirling At Home (2013), Everything (2014) and Touchy Feely (2015) at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe.

Just one week after graduating, IAIN found himself on a train down to London to begin presenting on CBBC and just two years later he received a BAFTA nomination for *Best Children’s Presenter* (2011) which was followed last year with another nomination in this category. A driving force behind the concept of comedy panel show The Dog Ate My Homework (CBBC), IAIN co-wrote and hosted two series which had celebrity guests including SUSAN CALMAN, ROMESH RANGANATHAN and MTV’s JOEL DOMMETT. IAIN has written for, developed and presented a number of other CBBC projects, including: Help! My Supply Teacher Is Magic, 12 Again and All Over the Place. His love of football has led him to commentate for CBBC’s Red Button Coverage of the World Cup and he has also appeared on CBBC’s Match of the Day Kickabout and Hawksbee and Jacobs (talkSPORT).

WHAT THE PRESS HAVE SAID ABOUT IAIN STIRLING

Provides an intriguing twentysomething perspective on the current state of his nation **The Guardian**

One of Scotland’s hottest newcomers **The Scotsman**

A very bright, peppy prospect. **The Independent**

Diamond chat **Daily Record**

Possesses all the born-with-it-or-you’re-not-qualities associated with the world’s leading comics **** **The List**

Lovely satirical description **Chortle**

LISTINGS INFORMATION

Iain Stirling – Onwards!

Venue: Pleasance Above
Date: 3rd – 26th August
Time: 7:40pm
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