

# **MATT FORDE ANNOUNCES EU REFERENDUM POLITICAL PARTY SPECIAL WITH GUESTS ALAN JOHNSON AND DR LIAM FOX**

MATT FORDE brings his sell-out Political Party night to the Leicester Square Theatre for a one off EU Referendum special at 8.45pm on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June. As well as featuring up-to-the minute stand-up comedy about the referendum campaign, Matt will also be joined by two of the biggest names in the debate: ALAN JOHNSON campaigning for 'Remain' and DR LIAM FOX campaigning for 'Leave'. This is a unique event, not just showcasing the best arguments on both sides of the referendum divide but having a laugh about it all too. Tickets are available to buy now at [leicestersquaretheatre.com](http://leicestersquaretheatre.com)

ALAN JOHNSON is the former Home Secretary leading the Labour 'In' campaign. One of Labour's most popular politicians, he is regularly seen on This Week alongside Andrew Neil and Michael Portillo.

DR LIAM FOX is the former Secretary of State for Defence and has been a leading Eurosceptic in the Conservative Party for many years. He stood against David Cameron for the leadership of the Conservative Party in 2005 and has recently been tipped for a return to the Cabinet.

A former advisor to the Labour Party, MATT FORDE is fast becoming acknowledged as the UK's leading political comic and has appeared on The Royal Variety Performance (ITV) Have I Got News For You (BBC One), Mock The Week (BBC Two), Rory Bremner's Coalition Report and Rory Bremner's Election Report (BBC Two), 8 out of 10 Cats (Channel 4), Question Time, This Week (both BBC One), Newsnight and Daily Politics (both BBC Two).

MATT FORDE's London show, The Political Party, has been a sell-out during its monthly residency at Westminster's St James Theatre. MATT has brought Parliament to life with his stand-up and debate with some of the Government's most notorious figures, including TONY BLAIR, ALASTAIR CAMPBELL, MICHAEL PORTILLO, NIGEL FARAGE, NEIL KINNOCK, JACOB REES-MOGG JOHN PRESCOTT, JACK STRAW, DAME TESSA JOWELL, GEORGE GALLOWAY, JIM MURPHY and CHARLES CLARKE. The show is also released as a podcast which has been downloaded over 500,000 times, hit the top spot of the iTunes comedy chart, was picked as the Daily Telegraph's podcast of the week, and was nominated for the Internet Award in the 2015 Chortle Awards. Previous podcasts are available to download [here](#)

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## **What the Press Have Said About Matt Forde**

"Singlehandedly fulfilling comedy's brief of taking our political masters to task. Combining spot-on impressions with up to the minute observations" ★★★★★ Mail on Sunday

"Smooth as silk. Brings confidence and energy to political satire" ★★★★★ Edinburgh Festivals Magazine

"A first class comic" The Guardian

"Highly engaging, inherently funny... an ability to ad lib laughs out of thin air" Chortle

★★★★★ The Herald