

# COMEDIAN NAZ OSMANOGLU BRINGS BRAND NEW SHOW 'SCANDINAVELAND' STARRING TRUE-CRIME PODCAST DETECTIVE LARS JOHANSSON TO EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE

*"A high energy, no-holds-barred hour from the consistently funny Naz"* **The Telegraph**

*"His material packs a punch"* **Kate Copstick, The Scotsman**

*"Particularly magnetic"* **The Guardian**

*"A comedic tour de force"* ★★★★★ **The List**

Award-winning comedian **Naz Osmanoglu** brings a brand new hour of Nordic Noir character comedy *Scandinaveland* to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe from 1<sup>st</sup> August to 25<sup>th</sup> August at Just The Tonic at The Caves.

Every case in Sweden is a cold case...Sweden's once famous, now hapless, homicide detective Lars Johansson revisits the case he never solved (mainly because he wants his own true-crime podcast): brutal murders, far-fetched twists, red herrings, actual herring and, of course, overwhelmingly polite and reasonable law enforcement officers.

Naz is currently developing a podcast series starring his character Lars Johansson. On TV, Naz has appeared on *Inside No. 9* (BBC Two), *Russell Howard's Good News* (BBC3), *Flat TV* (BBC Three), *Horrible Histories* (CBBC), *Drunk History* (Comedy Central), *The Stand-Up Sketch Show* (ITV2), *Back* (Channel 4) and *Roast Battle* (Comedy Central). As a third of sketch group **WitTank** ('*Masterful*' Sunday Times, '*Twisted*' The Telegraph), Naz has been seen on *Live At The Electric* (BBC 3) and heard on *Sketchorama* (BBC Radio 4), as well as performed many years of sold-out shows at the Fringe and recorded a sitcom pilot. In 2011 the group received a Best Show Nomination at the Leicester Comedy Festival and have appeared on *Three at the Fringe* (BBC3) and BBC Radio Scotland.

Naz's stand-up accolades include being the winner of the *Amused Moose Laugh-off* Competition, *Chortle Award* Best Newcomer Nominee (2010), and Runner-up in *So You Think You're Funny*.

## WHAT THE PRESS HAVE SAID ABOUT NAZ

*"Armed with inspired original material, a sharp sense of humour and star potential"* **Metro**

*"Naz is a hard gigging, high performance comedy machine"* **The Sun**

*"Livewire Naz Osmanoglu is surely the heir to Rik Mayall's throne"* **Evening Standard**

*"A blistering hour of ultra-confident comedy"* **Short List**

*"Forget Suleiman – it's Naz who is truly magnificent"* ★★★★★ **Three Weeks**

★★★★★ **Edinburgh Festivals**

## WHAT THE PRESS HAVE SAID ABOUT WITTANK

*"Best of the Edinburgh Fringe" The Independent*

*"Impressively sharp. Expect big things" Sunday Times*

*"A dazzling display of sketch genius...There isn't a single down moment in WitTank's exhilaratingly perfect set"*

★★★★★The List

*"There are probably more original and fresh ideas in the first ten minutes of WitTank than many sketch shows fit*

*into an entire hour" ★★★★★Chortle*

*"A definite must-see" ★★★★★British Comedy Guide*

★★★★★ Daily Telegraph

★★★★★ Metro

#### **EDINBURGH FRINGE LISTINGS INFORMATION**

##### **Naz Osmanoglu - ScandinaVeland**

Venue: Just The Tonic at The Caves, Just the Fancy Room

Date & Time: 1<sup>st</sup> August to 25<sup>th</sup> August at 4.50pm (excluding 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> August)

Duration: 50 mins

Web: [edfringe.com](http://edfringe.com)

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