

PHIL WANG SELLS OUT ENTIRE RUN AHEAD OF EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE OPENING

NEW STAND-UP SHOW PHILLY PHILLY WANG WANG

"Stand-up dreamland" ★★★★★ Brian Logan, The Guardian
"This is intoxicating stuff" ★★★★★ Rupert Hawksley, The Telegraph

It was announced today, 8th July, that **Phil Wang** has sold out his entire month-long run ahead of the Edinburgh Festival Fringe opening. Following a sell-out run at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Phil returns to the Fringe with a new hour of absolute gold, *Philly Philly Wang Wang*, at the Pleasance Cabaret Bar from 31st July – 25th August at 8pm. After the festival, Phil will embark on a nationwide tour with further details to be announced.

Phil has made a name for himself exploring sex, romance, politics, and his mixed British-Malaysian heritage, in shows that delight in his unique Wang brand of smart/silly stupidity. This one is about morality and the modern sense of self.

Phil has most recently used his outsider perspective to dissect the increasingly binary debates dividing Britain in a new BBC Radio 4 stand-up show, *Wangsplaining*. Other broadcast credits include *Have I Got News For You* (BBC One), hosting *Live at the Apollo* (BBC Two), *Taskmaster* (Dave), performing as one of only two non-US acts on *The Comedy Line-Up* (Netflix), *QI* (BBC Two), *Would I Lie to You?* (BBC One), *8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown* (Ch4), appearing as a regular correspondent on *Unspun With Matt Forde* (Dave), *Roast Battle* and *Drunk History* (both Comedy Central) and *Jack Dee's Helpdesk* (BBC Two). He has also written and starred in two series of *Daphne Sounds Expensive* for BBC Radio 4 with his *Foster's Newcomer Award* nominated sketch trio, Daphne. Earlier this year Phil began co-hosting podcast *BudPod with Phil Wang & Pierre Novellie*.

An internationally acclaimed live act, Phil has performed at festivals including Montreal Just for Laughs Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival and the New Zealand Comedy Festival. His last critically-acclaimed live show, *Kinabalu*, sold out at Edinburgh Festival in 2017 and the subsequent national tour was extended through 2018 including four weeks at London's Soho Theatre.

What the press has said about Phil Wang

"A unique and properly funny stand-up" ★★★★★ Dominic Maxwell, The Times
"Perfectly intertwined personal-political belly laughs" ★★★★★ Jay Richardson, The Scotsman
"a clever, droll delight" ★★★★★ Sharon Lougher, Metro
"Playful but also not afraid to have a controversial opinion...Wang is very funny" ★★★★★ Bruce Dessau, Beyond The Joke
"A satisfying product of his brains, comic nous, and unique style" ★★★★★ Paul Fleckney, Chortle
"Humorous self-deprecation, killer punchlines and just the right amount of risqué, he hits the target each time" ★★★★★ Rowena McIntosh, The List
"stunningly insightful" ★★★★★ Emily Hall, Edinburgh Festivals Magazine

LISTINGS INFORMATION

Phil Wang – Philly Philly Wang Wang

Venue: Pleasance Cabaret Bar

Date: 31st July – 25th August

Time: 8pm

Web: www.philwang.co.uk

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