

THE HORNE SECTION PODCAST RETURNS

WITH REGGIE WATTS AS THE FIRST SPECIAL GUEST

A riotous splicing of live music and comedy

The Observer

Genuinely clever... they really are good at music... come back soon

The Daily Telegraph

It's a band of professional musicians fronted by Taskmaster's Alex Horne, who turns their abilities to pluck a tune into brilliant comedy magic

Radio Times

Shortlist's No. 1 Comedy Podcast

LONDON – 4th November 2020 - The six-headed comedy band **The Horne Section** return with a brand-new series of their No. 1 hit podcast *The Horne Section Podcast*. Each episode of the band's fifth series will be released every Wednesday morning, with Episode 1 featuring special guest **Reggie Watts** released today and can be downloaded [here](#).

Unruly, ridiculous, and surprisingly satisfying, the previous series of *The Horne Section Podcast* reached number one in the iTunes charts and was highlighted as the number one comedy podcast in Shortlists' *Best Comedy Podcast* selection. The brand-new series will feature episodes with **Reggie Watts** (*The Late Late Show with James Corden*, CBS), **Mae Martin** (*Feel Good*, Ch4), **Mark Watson** (*Taskmaster*, Ch4) and a host of other special guests. Having previously featured **Robbie Williams** recording a brand new version of *Angels*, **Sir Chris Hoy**, and **Greg Davies**, expect more musical mayhem, whimsical games, and 5 talented musicians being made to do silly things by bearded comedian, and creator & star of BAFTA winning *Taskmaster*, **Alex Horne**.

The band's TV credits include being the in-house band on BBC One's *Peter Crouch: Save Our Summer*, which Horne also co-hosted, and Channel 4's *The Last Leg* including *Last Leg Christmas Special* and *Last Leg: The Last Leg of the Year*. They have featured in Dictionary Corner on *8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown* (Channel 4), *The Royal Variety Performance 2018* (ITV), as well as the 2 hour special *The Horne Section Television Programme* on UKTV's Dave. Filmed at the London Palladium in front of a sold-out live audience, the variety show featured guest appearances from **Sue Perkins**, **Sara Pascoe**, **Joe Wilkinson**, and Girls Aloud's **Nadine Coyle**. The band have previously hosted three series of *Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section* on BBC Radio 4.

On stage, the band have performed to numerous sold-out audiences across the UK as well as at The Lyric Theatre - Shaftesbury Avenue, The Criterion Theatre and The Hackney Empire, Udderbelly Festival - Southbank, The Leicester Square Spiegeltent, the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, Southbank Centre's Queen Elizabeth Hall, and Ronnie Scott's.

The Horne Section are: **Alex Horne** (band leader), **Joe Auckland** (trumpet and banjo), **Mark Brown** (saxophone and guitar), **Will Collier** (bass), **Ben Reynolds** (drums and percussion) and **Ed Sheldrake** (keyboards).

WHAT THE PRESS HAS SAID ABOUT THE HORNE SECTION

A beguiling blend of the smart and stupid....a real delight

★★★★ **The Sunday Times**

This is a thought-provoking, anarchic and wildly entertaining welding of stand-up comedy and big band music

The Guardian

An absolute blast

★★★★★ **Metro**

We can't recommend The Horne Section highly enough

★★★★★ **Time Out**

Expect some genuinely impressive musical talent, clever genre observations ...and beard jokes a-plenty

★★★★ **Londonist**

They're pretty much the funniest thing in musical comedy

TV Times

A toe-tapping and uproarious cabaret affair

The List

All singing, all dancing and all joking this show is brilliantly witty and refreshingly silly. A must see for musical comedy fans!

About Time Magazine

Jolly good it is too, especially if you are a fan of whimsy, lunacy and larks

Total TV Guide

You'd be hard pushed to find a more enjoyable night out

Chortle

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