ROSE MATAFEO'S AWARD WINNING STAND-UP SPECIAL HORNDOG LANDS ON THE BBC

Matafeo is an astute, often hilarious observer of millennial life

★★★★ The Telegraph, Rupert Hawksley

A near perfect comedian

★★★★ Brian Logan, The Guardian

Rose Matafeo is a total scream!

Christopher Rosa, Glamour U.S.

London – 4th February 2021 – It was announced today that award winning comedian, writer, and actor **Rose Matafeo**'s (*Taskmaster, Baby Done*) stand-up special *Horndog* is arriving on the BBC. The *Edinburgh Comedy Award* winning show will air on BBC Three and BBC ONE late February, TX details to follow.

Rose has kissed nearly ten men in her life, AKA she's a total horndog. Her brand new special of critically applauded stand-up is whirlwind of mid-20s angst and fizzing obsession which enjoyed successful sell-out performances around the world, before making its television debut on HBO Max in the U.S. last year.

New Zealand born Rose has established herself as one of the most exciting new voices in comedy and is firmly fixed as the *"voice of millennials"* (Comedy Awards). She is currently working on her debut romcom *Starstruck*, which is set to launch later this year on BBC Three and HBO Max.

A regular face on screen, January saw Rose star in the feature film *Baby Done* (exec produced by Taika Waititi), while she has featured on BAFTA winning *Taskmaster* (Ch4), *Have I Got News For You* (BBC One), *The Royal Variety Performance* (ITV 1), *Unspun with Matt Forde* (Dave), *Ultimate Worrier* (Dave), *Hypothetical* (UKTV), *The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice* (Channel 4), *The Last Leg* (Channel 4), and performed on *Conan* (TBS). Rose has acted in BBC One's *W1A,* BBC Three's *Pls Like* and *Climaxed,*

and E4's *Dead Pixels,* while she wrote and starred in the three-part series *Rose Matafeo: Temp* for Channel 4's Comedy Blaps.

Horndog is released on BBC Three and BBC One late February 2021. TX details to follow soon.
Preview Available

WHAT THE PRESS HAVE SAID ABOUT ROSE MATAFEO AND HORNDOG

Rose Matafeo is going to be huge

★★★★ **Alice Jones, The I**

This Kiwi livewire has been on the cusp of breaking through in the UK for a couple of years and Horndog feels like her moment

★★★★ **Bruce Dessau, Evening Standard**

Wonderfully clever and heartwarming

★★★★ **Veronica Lee, Arts Desk**

Seamless and authentic

Margaret Lyons, New York Times

Rose Matafeo: Horndog is without a doubt my favorite comedy special of this year.... It's relatable and energetic, and of course, so, so funny

Lea Palmieri, The Decider

Matafeo exudes the energy of a Looney Tunes character while performing, bouncing around from side to side, breaking off to play little character bits, and even ending the show with a random dance number that feels like a fitting finale

Christian Becker, Paste Magazine

A real force of nature

★★★★ **Paul Fleckney, Chortle**

Comics don't come much more exciting than Rose Matafeo

★★★★ **Fergus Morgan, Fest**

The 26-year-old Kiwi's comedy resonates, her charisma is undeniable

★★★★ **Craig Angus, The List**

Such positivity and exuberance mixed with real smarts and stand-up chops are a rare treat indeed

★★★★ **Tony Makos, The Skinny**

Horndog is a superbly funny show from a wonderful comic at the top of her game

★★★★ **Daisy Malt, Three Weeks**

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Avalon is a multi-award-winning talent management, television production and live promotion group with offices in London, Los Angeles and New York.

Avalon, Artist Rights Group (ARG) and The Agency represent a prolific roster of artists including comedians, actors, presenters, writers and directors. Avalon's numerous ground-breaking returning television shows currently in production include: Not Going Out (BBC), the UK's longest running sitcom on air; Taskmaster (Channel 4), the BAFTA-winning hit entertainment format showing in 100 countries; multi Emmy-winner, Last Week Tonight with John Oliver (HBO); The Russell Howard Hour (Sky), the network's most successful entertainment show launch since 2010; Starstruck, a new sitcom from the 2018 Edinburgh Comedy Award winner Rose Matafeo (HBO Max/BBC); Everything's Gonna Be Okay, from creator Josh Thomas (Freeform); Breeders, a sitcom starring Martin Freeman and Daisy Haggard (FX/Sky); a new series of the iconic British satirical puppet show, Spitting Image (BritBox UK); and multiple comedy specials for Amazon Prime Video, HBO Max and Netflix.

Other landmark Avalon shows include BAFTA winning and multi Emmy nominated Catastrophe (Amazon Prime Video/Channel 4), Fantasy Football League (BBC/ITV), multi BAFTA-winning TV Burp (ITV), and Workaholics (Comedy Central USA). Avalon also distributes its catalogue of programmes to over 150 countries worldwide. Avalon has produced many globally successful podcasts and is at the top of the UK iTunes chart with the multi-award-winning Shagged. Married. Annoyed by Chris and Rosie Ramsey.

As a leading promoter of live comedy, Avalon produced Newman and Baddiel: Live at Wembley, the UK's first arena comedy show; Jerry Springer: The Opera, the first West End show to win all four UK 'Best New Musical' awards; and has continued to produce and promote live shows globally, as well as promoting more winners and nominees of the prestigious Edinburgh Comedy Award than any other company.

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