

# THE HORNE SECTION ANNOUNCE BRAND NEW PODCAST SERIES, INCLUDING A ONE-OFF LIVE STREAMED SPECIAL

*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 – 16<sup>th</sup> March 2021 - Unruly, ridiculous, and surprisingly satisfying, the six-headed comedy band **The Horne Section** launch a brand-new series of their chart-topping podcast *The Horne Section Podcast*. For the first time ever, the band will live stream an episode at 8pm on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April, tickets can be found on Dice [online here](#).

The live streamed show of the iTunes comedy chart topping No 1 podcast, and Shortlists' *Best Comedy Podcast* will be interactive, inviting ticket buyers to send song requests, and any burning questions for the mischievous melody makers, using the hashtag #HorneSectionRequests.

The brand-new series is also set to feature special guests **Nina Conti** (*Live At The Apollo*, BBC One), **Rachel Parris** (*The Mash Report*, BBC Two), and **Jessica Knappett** (*Judge Romesh*, Dave) among many more who will join in the band in the basement for musical mayhem, whimsical games, and plenty of laughs. Having previously featured **Robbie Williams** recording a brand-new version of Angels, **Reggie Watts**, **Sir Chris Hoy**, and **Greg Davies**, expect a mixture of toe-tapping tunes, exceptional musicality from five talented musicians, and creator & star of BAFTA winning *Taskmaster*, **Alex Horne**.

The news arrives after The Horne Section collaborated with **Romesh Ranganathan's** *Hip Hop Saved My Life* podcast in an exclusive podcast mashup with Acast and Comic Relief to raise money for Red Nose Day. You can listen to the show [here](#).

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, while the band have previously hosted three series of *Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section* on BBC Radio 4. They have enjoyed numerous sold-out nationwide tours and will be back on the road with rescheduled dates for the critically acclaimed show *That's How I Like My Tour* later this year.

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 Shel Drake** (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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