



DOUBLE EDINBURGH COMEDY AWARD NOMINEE AHIR SHAH ANNOUNCES BRAND NEW UK TOUR

"intricately crafted, profoundly moving, howlingly funny... he's a blazing talent firing on all cylinders" ★★★★★ Tristram Fane Saunders, *The Daily Telegraph*

"It's a highly personal howl in the dark from this sharpest of operators. Impassioned, probing and unexpectedly moving." ★★★★★ Mark Wareham, *The Mail On Sunday*

"Tremendously thoughtful, woundedly candid and self-laceratingly funny" ★★★★★ Jay Richardson, *The Scotsman*

Double Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee **Ahir Shah** is set to embark on a brand-new tour with *Ahir Shah: Dress*, following his critically acclaimed stand-up show *Dots*, which he performed nationwide including a sold out run at London's Soho Theatre in 2019, and more recently recorded at London's Vaudeville Theatre for his *HBO Max* stand-up comedy special. Back and raring to go, Ahir will kick off his run of dates on 19th November 2021 at Swindon's Arts Centre and finish in Bristol at the Hen and Chickens on 10th March 2022. Tickets go on sale on Wednesday 16th June from www.ahirshah.com

Featuring his signature blend of philosophical inquiry, personal examination, and sweet gags, Ahir returns to stand-up with a new show about significance, insignificance, and scurvy. His last show, *Dots*, was recorded as a special for HBO Max (albeit after a 14 month delay brought about by events you may recall). That show was about uncertainty. Ideally, this tour will end in a way that is less on the nose.



An internationally acclaimed comedian, Ahir has performed comedy across the world including tours of the UK and India and runs at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival, the Adelaide Fringe and Just for Laughs comedy festival in Montreal.

On TV and radio, Ahir's appearances have included *Live at the Apollo* (BBC Two), *Have I Got News For You* (BBC One), *QI* (BBC Two), *Mock the Week* (BBC Two), *Frankie Boyle's New World Order* (BBC Two), *The Mash Report* (BBC Two), *Catastrophe* (Channel 4/Amazon Prime), *Hello, America!* (Quibi), *Guessable*, *Stand Up Central with Rob Delaney* and *Rhod Gilbert's Growing Pains* (Comedy Central), *The Big Asian Stand-Up* (BBC Two) and *The Now Show* (BBC Radio Four), and written and starred in *Ahir Shah's Summer* (Sky Arts) and *Ahir Shah's Life Lessons* (BBC Three). *Ahir Shah: Live* follows Dots (2019), his two Edinburgh Comedy Award nominated shows *Duffer* (2018) and *Control* (2017), *Machines* (2016), *Texture* (2014), *Anatomy* (2013) and *Astrology* (2011).

Other Things The Press Has Said About Ahir

"Rich emotional comedy with a sharp eye on global politics" ★★★★★

Stephen Armstrong, The Sunday Times

"he finds both humour and poetry in his existential angst" ★★★★★

Brian Logan, The Guardian

"He blends stories of growing up with brief bursts of fury at a callous system and struggles to find meaning or faith... but with laughs." ★★★★★

Stephen Armstrong, The Sunday Times

"Shah's set, a terrifically smart examination of family, religion and depression, is by turns furiously nihilistic and desperately warm and loving"

Rebecca Nicholson, The Observer

"No young British comic has greater promise...electrifying...Shah's breadth of vision is peerless"

Dominic Maxwell, The Times

"a carefully-crafted hour crammed with an eclectic range of subjects" ★★★★★

Gayle Anderson, The Herald



***Ahir Shah: Dress* runs from 11th November 2021 – 10th March 2022**

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