

## PIERRE NOVELLIE RETURNS TO THE EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE WITH TENTH HOUR, 'YOU SIT THERE, I'LL STAND HERE'



*"Pierre Novellie is as smart as the crisp suit he wears onstage... extremely funny and accessible, brimming over with laugh-out-loud lines" ★★★★★*

**Bruce Dessau, The Standard**

*"Pulls huge big laughs... you'll still be laughing about it as you walk away up the cobbled streets"*

★★★★★

**Claire Smith, The Scotsman**

*"packed full of belly laughs...impressively well written, perfectly building and building and rich with detail – each topic could be a full show on its own. Novellie delivers it all with real astuteness and skill, at once relaxed and arresting" ★★★★★*

**Sharon Lougher, Metro**

*"Impeccably told...a master of withering sarcasm...providing that oh-so-elusive 'really funny hour of comedy'" ★★★★★*

**Steve Bennett, Chortle**

**Pierre Novellie** is set to return with a brand new show, *'You Sit There, I'll Stand Here'*, marking his tenth show at the arts festival. The announcement follows the release of his critically acclaimed book, *'Why Can't I Just Enjoy Things? A Comedian's Guide to Autism'*, which has been called *"essential reading"* (Bruce Dessau, Beyond The Joke) and follows a sold out run with his 2024 show at the Fringe which saw him make the list of best reviewed shows of the Fringe for a third year in a row.

It is once again August in Edinburgh which can only mean one thing – its time for Pierre to do stand up and it is time for you to sit and watch! In *'You Sit There, I'll Stand Here'*, Pierre will once again be

delighting audiences with his award winning observational comedy style which has seen him receive rave reviews and critical acclaim over the years.

Pierre can be heard as one of the co-hosts of *Frank Off the Radio: The Frank Skinner Podcast* alongside **Frank Skinner** and co-host of *BudPod* with fellow comedian **Phil Wang**. His television and writing credits include *Mock The Week* (BBC 2), *The Mash Report* (BBC 2), *Spitting Image* (ITV / BritBox), *Stand Up Central* (Comedy Central), *Comedy Central Live* (Comedy Central) and *World's Most Dangerous Roads* (Dave).

A highly praised live act, Pierre has had sell out shows across the UK and Ireland. His most recent hit stand-up show, *'Must We?'*, sold out the entire festival run and an 11 night London run at Soho Theatre, he has also just performed the show at the prestigious Melbourne International Comedy Festival. Pierre has supported comedy legend Frank Skinner on tour as well as on his West End runs at the Garrick Theatre and Gielgud Theatre. He is a past winner of the Amused Moose Laugh-Off and has received nominations for the Amused Moose Comedy Award, The Skinny Awards and the Chortle Awards.

**Previous praise for Pierre Novellie:**

*"Hilarious...he will go far" ★★★★★*  
**Dominic Maxwell, The Times**

*"Novellie is master of traditional standup, able to ramp up the absurdity of his everyday observations until they erupt into side-splitting flights of fancy"*  
**Rachel Aroesti, The Guardian**

*"the laughs keep coming... Novellie is every inch the assured, smart-jacketed storyteller... Novellie might not be a fan of them but this clearly warrants a handful of his dreaded crying laughing emojis"*  
★★★★★  
**Bruce Dessau, Evening Standard**

*"a pleasure to behold... always been a strikingly impressive observational act" ★★★★★*  
**Jay Richardson, The Scotsman**

*"One of the most masterful displays of pure stand-up I've seen this year... he's one of the best we've got" ★★★★★*  
**Tim Harding, Chortle**

*"the whole room erupts into a boom of laughter... his observational humour is precise" ★★★★★*  
**Victoria Nangle, Entertainment Now**

*"hilarious... immensely entertaining... For one hour we see the world through Novellie's eyes and wish the vision lasted a little longer" ★★★★★*  
**Elodie Marriott, Ed Fest Mag**

*"a gorgeous, gorgeous hour of eye-wateringly fabulous comedy... he is assured, slick, and downright funny... Novellie's delivery is just terrific: his voice is a comedic weapon." ★★★★★*  
**Will Quinn, The Quintessential Review**

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★★★★★ Sunday Post ★★★★★ The Comic's Comic ★★★★★ Three Weeks  
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**EDINBURGH FRINGE LISTINGS INFORMATION:**

Pierre Novellie: You Sit There, I'll Stand Here

Venue: Monkey Barrel 3

Date & Time: 28<sup>th</sup> July – 24<sup>th</sup> August, 19:05

Duration: 60 mins

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