

AFTERNOON MEN

An hour of comedy in the afternoon

This show features two performers each day drawn from some of the most exciting new talents on the stand-up circuit.

Appearing from 1-23 August is **Andrew Watts**, who was picked as one of the new comics making waves in *Time Out's* article, "Best London Comedy 2007". He recently appeared in "The World Stands Up" on the Paramount Comedy Channel, following two years as a stand-up in which he has reached the final of most of the new act competitions – including So You Think You're Funny, the Laughing Horse New Act Competition and the Amused Moose Laugh-Off, where he was runner-up. *Time Out* described him as "posh and witty" and "exquisitely funny", and the comedy website Chortle referred to his "subtle, inspired ideas".

Accompanying him for the first week of the festival (1-9 August) is **Rik Moore**, whose Chortle review reads: "Moore immediately commands the stage. He underpins this with a confident, jokey swagger ... [and] as he gets into his stride, Moore lets more of his own personality shine through with some fabulously funny and original gags jostling for their place in the lively, conversational routine. Moore started comedy back in 1998, doing OK in the various new act awards, but quit for three years. Evidence suggests he's now finding his stride again... It surely won't be too long before Moore is a permanent fixture on the pro circuit."

The next week (10-17 August) belongs to **James Everett**, whom *Time Out* describes as "always entertaining". James was the winner of the Riviera New Act of the Year Competition 2005 and was reviewed as "a commanding figure on stage" by spoonfed.co.uk. James is also known as the resident host of the Porthole Comedy Club, which has hosted comics like Reginald D Hunter and Stewart Lee.

Last but not least, **Suzy Bennett** brings her unique style of comedy to the final week of the Fringe (18-23 August). Suzy was the winner of Funny Women in 2006 and a finalist in Jimmy Carr's Comedy Idol, although she is best known to television audiences from her appearances in *The One Show* (BBC1) and *The Best Diets in History* (C4). *Time Out* selected her for a profile in the article "New London Comics" along with Jose Long, Mark Watson and Russell Kane. Her review on insidecomedy.co.uk describes her as "brilliant, audience-friendly and risqué. With her distinctive brand of bawdy humour and observations the Devon-born comic kept the audience's enthusiasm up throughout the evening".

Afternoon Men is undoubtedly one of the most exciting compilation shows at this year's Edinburgh Fringe.

LISTINGS INFORMATION

Venue 259: Laughing Horse @ Jekyll & Hyde

Dates: 1 August (Preview), 2-23 August

Time: 15:20 (1hr)

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