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Mark Nelson: Smiley Face



Gilded Balloon: Wed 3rd – Sun 28th August

Scottish Comedian of the Year Award-winning powerhouse Mark Nelson brings his dark humour and cutting observations back to **Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2016**. His new show **Smiley Face** plays at the **Gilded Balloon** at **8:45pm** from the **3rd** to the **28th** August.

Mark Nelson is set to bring his singularly disarming brand of no-nonsense stand up to Edinburgh with **Smiley Face**. This new show investigates how to be happy in a self-obsessed world - while telling you to stick your emojis up your (ಽಽ). Typical to Mark's style, the show promises to make you laugh at things you know you shouldn't, before you even realize you are doing it.

The star of **BBC's 'Don't Drop the Baton'** and **BBC Radio Scotland's 'Mark Nelson's Guide to Marriage'** has had a schedule filled with live gigs, radio shows and beyond. The beyond, in part, being **News at 2** for **BBC Scotland**, a 3 part video segment that's gone viral on Facebook with his two year old daughter, striking on hard hitting issues such as Donald Trump, the economy and global warming that is close to 1 million hits.

Global Warming

<https://www.facebook.com/BBCScotland/videos/1264251076937988/>

Trump

<https://www.facebook.com/BBCScotland/videos/1264253933604369/>

Economy

<https://www.facebook.com/BBCScotland/videos/vl.400248770142492/1264251883604574/?type=1>

What the press have said about Mark Nelson:

'Often provocative and always surprising... No frills: just a man and a mic, pithy-but-charming delivery, great jokes, and lots of them.' **Daily Telegraph, Critics Choice**

'Mark Nelson possesses a talent that is simply obscene... Irreverent, vulgar and humane consideration of society's taboos... While many a comic chucks a badly aimed pot-shot at political correctness, it takes a skilled comedian to attempt a meaningful consideration of society's taboos. This is irreverence done right.' ★★★★★ **The List**

'Blistering material which pushes dangerously near the boundaries of good taste' **Sunday Times**

'An essential Scottish voice... Nelson can be ferocious with a punchline... Masterful' ★★★★★ **The Skinny**

Listings Information:

Dates: 3rd – 28th August 2016 (Not Monday 15th)
Show: Mark Nelson: Smiley Face
Venue: Gilded Balloon Teviot – Billiard room
Address: Teviot Row House, 13 Bristo Square, Edinburgh, EH8 9AJ
Time: 8:45pm
Price: £5 – £12.50
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