

## EDINBURGH FRINGE 2022: COMEDY: DEBUT



### Chelsea Birkby: No More Mr Nice Chelsea

Just the Spare Room, The Caves  
4 - 28 Aug (not 15) 2022 @ 3.40 (15.40)

**“Chelsea is funny, so funny, without dumbing down her intelligence. I always look forward to what she’s doing. She’s brilliant.”**

Laura Lexx

**‘One to watch.’**

Funny Women

***No More Mr Nice Chelsea*** is the highly anticipated debut stand-up hour from rising star **Chelsea Birkby**, whose credits include **BBC Radio 4 Extra’s Comedy Club**, writing on ***Mock The Week*** and reaching the final of both **So You Think You’re Funny** and **Leicester Square New Comedian of the Year**.

Chelsea was lovely, sweet, adorable. But not anymore! Think sex and drugs and rock n roll\* (\*Nickelback). In this thoughtful, playful and punchline-rich hour, full of pop culture and philosophy, Chelsea asks: what is nice? Who does it serve? And don’t we need to let our darker side out occasionally?

Find out why Black Eyed Peas are the moral compass for a generation, how calling cash “spendo” might be ill-advised and why your secret diaries should maybe stay secret.

Chelsea brings a lightness of touch to what could be heavier topics, such as mental health and sexual shame, as she tries to reconcile her competing impulses and come out the other side.

**‘A show I guarantee anyone at the Fringe will enjoy.’**

**\*\*\*\* Mumble**

An established club comedian, MC, and a student of Ecole Philippe Gaulier in Paris, Chelsea Birkby has performed at the UK’s top comedy clubs including The Stand, Komedia, Backyard Comedy Club, Angel Comedy, The Bill Murray and Manford’s, theatres including Oxford Playhouse and Leicester Square Theatre and special events such as Stand Up Philosophy, Alternative Book Club and Cheltenham Literary Festival. Chelsea has been a finalist across the highest-profile new act competitions including So You Think You’re Funny Finalist (2018) and Leicester Square New Comedian of the Year (2021).

Chelsea has taken two split-bills to the Edinburgh fringe (with Matt Hobs in 2018, and with Jamie D’Souza in 2019, ‘A show I guarantee anyone at the fringe will enjoy.’ \*\*\*\* Mumble), and she has shared the stage with some of the UK’s biggest stars, including James Acaster, Nish Kumar, Rosie Jones, Angela Barnes, Ed Gamble, Fern Brady, and Laura Lexx.

Chelsea’s broadcast credits include BBC Radio 4 Extra’s Comedy Club, Union Jack FM, BBC Radio Oxford (including co-host of The Laugh Lounge) Next Up and she was featured in Chortle’s ‘Most memorable gigs of 2020.’

‘Chelsea Birkby talked frankly about mental illness... my jaw soon aching with laughter.’

**\*\*\*\* Oxford Times**

‘Star in the making Chelsea Birkby is no stranger to these galas and is a real talent, outshining the big guns with her easy charm and sparkling anecdotal humour. Her warm delivery and engaging stage presence belie a wicked, and frequently smutty, streak.’

**Oxford Mail**

‘Chelsea is a natural MC...Revitalising. a cute puppy’s worth of cleverness and class....A show I can guarantee anyone at the fringe will enjoy.’

**\*\*\*\* Mumble**

‘Chelsea Birkby absolutely deserved her slot as headline act, with an effortless set that covered the philosophy of existentialism and the comparative wisdoms of Jean-Paul Sartre and Kim Kardashian West.’

**Oxford Opening Night**

‘Jericho Comedy regular Chelsea Birkby also appeared – a rising star with a stunning performance.’

## Ox in a Box

‘Crackled with energy and ambition...Brimming with talent, sure to go far.’  
**DailyInfo**

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### Social media links:

Insta & Twitter @chelseabirkby

### Website link:

[www.chelseabirkby.com](http://www.chelseabirkby.com)

### Footage links:

<https://youtu.be/jD0xLrtbGcw>

### Listing:

**Title:** Chelsea Birkby: No More Mr Nice Chelsea

**Venue:** Just the Spare Room, The Caves

**Link:** <https://tickets.edfringe.com/whats-on/chelsea-birkby-no-more-mr-nice-chelsea>

**Fringe Venue Number:**

**Dates:** 4 - 28 Aug (not 15) 2022

**Press from:** 4<sup>th</sup> August

**Time:** 3.40 (15.40)

**Age:** 16+

**Duration:** 60 minutes

**Entry:** £5, £4 concessions

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