

Edinburgh Fringe 2022: Comedy



Pierre Novellie: Why Can't I Just Enjoy Things?

2 – 28 August (not 13, 19, 20, 21) @ 6.10pm
Monkey Barrel

'Brutally funny.'
Jay Richardson, Chortle

In his latest Fringe show, award-winning comedian **Pierre Novellie** (*The Mash Report*, *Stand Up Central*, *Joke Thieves*, *Edinburgh Comedy Fest Live*) looks into why he can't just enjoy things. It's observational comedy for people who think they hate observational comedy.

Pierre isn't a curmudgeon, exactly, it's just most things feel about 6/10 – and he doesn't see eye-to-eye with anyone else on what makes a 0/10 or a 10/10. Through his comedy, Pierre tries to work out why his experience of the world sometimes seems so at odds with everyone else's. Along the way he enlists the help of fish blood, Charles Dickens and the 'piss goblin'. Is Pierre his own worst enemy when it comes to breaking through to the 'fun zone' or is everyone else in the world wrong? And if he is wrong: why?

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

On TV and radio, Pierre has written and appeared on BBC Two's *The Mash Report* and has appeared on shows including *Stand Up Central* (Comedy Central), *Joke Thieves* (BBC Two), *Outsiders* (Channel 4), *Edinburgh Comedy Fest Live* (BBC Three), *The Rest is History* and *The News Quiz* (BBC Radio 4), while his writing credits include: *Spitting Image*, *Mock the Week* (BBC Two) and *Newzoids* (ITV). In February 2019, Pierre began hosting the hit podcast *BudPod* with Phil Wang & Pierre Novellie which has over 2,000,000 downloads.

As a live performer, Pierre has been nominated for Best Newcomer and twice for Best Club Comic at the Chortle Awards, as well as performing five previous sell-out runs at the Edinburgh Fringe. He has supported Frank Skinner on his international tour as well as his sell-out West End run, and has been tour support for Dave Gorman, Hal Cruttenden and Gary Delaney. Pierre's 2022 YouTube special, *Quiet Ones*, has amassed over 80,000 views since being uploaded in January.

'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

'Very close to being a stand-up masterclass.'

★★★★★ Brian Donaldson, The List

'An hour of sharply crafted and intelligent comedy.'

★★★★★ Megan McEachern, Sunday Post

'Pierre Novellie is wonderful...A tremendous presence, there's a timeless sense to this chap. His wit is old school, yet his humour is still fresh. There's a class to his act which has been missing from a lot of shows this year...The writing of his show is completely natural, flowing incredibly despite its obvious hard work.'

★★★★★ Dominic Corr, Edinburgh Festivals

'I am almost embarrassed by the amount of involuntary noise that came out of my face during Pierre Novellie's hysterically funny show...A genuinely hilarious comedian.'

★★★★★ Gemma Scott, Three Weeks

'A blistering hour of outsider observational comedy that is packed with brilliantly nerdy contemplations...His exceptional conversational delivery makes for compelling stand-up.'

★★★★★ James McColl, The Skinny

'The perfect balance between intellectual thoughtfulness and physical comedy.'

★★★★ Hannah Foulds, Londonist

'A slick hour of sharp satire...intelligent and inventive.'

★★★★ Angela Johnson, Entertainment Focus

★★★★ Graeme Connelly, Fest

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Website link:

www.pierrenovellie.com

Footage:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NzKIHB43UG8>

Listing:

Title: Pierre Novellie: Why Can't I Just Enjoy Things?

Venue: Monkey Barrel (Monkey Barrel 1)

Link: <https://tickets.edfringe.com/whats-on/pierre-novellie-why-can-t-i-just-enjoy-things>

Fringe Venue Number: 515

Dates: 1 – 28 August (not 13, 19, 20, 21)

Press from: 3rd August

Time: 18:10 / 6.10pm

Age: 16+

Duration: 60 minutes

Entry: from £6

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