

Edinburgh Fringe 2024: Comedy

## **Nerine Skinner: The Exorcism of Liz Truss**

Just The Tonic, The Caves, 1-25 Aug 2024 (not 12) @ 2:40pm



**"I love everything about this act. Just a genius idea ... this is proper entertainment."  
Alisha Dixon on BGT about The Dots 2022**

After her viral success with her Liz Truss parodies, receiving millions of views on YouTube, Britain's Got Talent Semi-Finalist (The Dots) and Funny Women Content Creator Runner Up, **Nerine Skinner**, debuts at Edinburgh this year.

In 2022, politically unaware Nerine Skinner went viral overnight as Liv Struss, aka the politically hapless Liz Truss. Outlasted in Downing Street by a lettuce, Liz Truss's political relevance faded and the country moved on - but Nerine didn't. Through hilarious, original, oddball characters, award-nominated political parodies and heartfelt storytelling, this is the story of Nerine trying to let go, examining how holding onto the past and her unconventional upbringing led to an unhealthy co-dependency with the former Prime Minister.

Combining stand-up, songs and the use of some original character creations for self-help along the way, join Nerine as she desperately works out how to move forwards with her life. Surely this is simple? Well, it would be if she wasn't indecisive like Liz Truss, or not great with finance, like Liz Truss. At least she doesn't look like Liz Truss. Oh wait ... What's worse, Nerine has discovered more similarities to the ex-prime minister, forcing her to go back to her childhood to discover where it all started, bringing to light her extreme indecision and ridiculous anecdotes about her family. How does she even move on when she's become known as a political satirist and impressionist, something she knows nothing about? But then, how easy is it to let go of someone who feels like they're now a part of you? Toxic relationship klaxon!

Be prepared to re-acquaint yourself with Liz Truss, with a dash of Boris Johnson and Nadine Dorries for extra measure, in this silly, energetic and truthful comedy debut hour!

**'Skinner is a perfect clown, wide-eyed, innocent and completely committed to the cause.'**  
Fringe Review

Nerine Skinner is an actress, comedian and improviser and formerly one half of comedy duo, Franks and Skinner (★★★★★ Edinburgh 2015/17), and one third and co-creator of The Dots Comedy Cabaret Trio (★★★★★ Edinburgh 2019 and 13th in The List's Most Rated Shows of the Festival). The Dots had huge success on Britain's Got Talent, with over 4 million views and counting on YouTube. They even fooled Simon Cowell, reaching the Semi-Finals in 2022. Most recently, Nerine came runner up in the prestigious Funny Women Content Creator Award 2023 and has been featured on TV, BBC Radio 2, 4 and is regularly featured on BBC Upload with her sketches. Presently, Nerine can be seen in ***Faulty Towers The Dining Experience*** in London's West End as Sybil Faulty and occasionally on the TV and radio with her political parodies.

In April, Nerine read excerpts from Liz Truss memoir for the [BBC Newscast with Laura Kuenssberg](#) podcast, BBC 5 Live Radio, [The World According to Mike Graham](#) on Talk TV and joined Matt Chorley on both his podcast [Politics Without The Boring Bits](#) and his radio show with Jon Culshaw and Rory Bremner.

**'It's a comedy of errors and Skinner is especially good at making us laugh in the process.'**  
Wee Review

#### **Outstanding Show Award, Fringe Review**

**'She has created this amazing perfect insight into how Thatcher devotee, Liz Truss, has achieved such greatness.'**  
The London Economic

**'This comedian's parody of Liz Truss is hilariously accurate.'**  
Indy100

**'Liv Struss sketches have been taking the internet by storm.'**  
The Poke

**'Nerine Skinner almost steals the show as Dandini, cross-dressing and hilarious.'**  
BritishTheatre.com

#### **Reviews as Franks and Skinner:**

**'Sketch comedy version of Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers.'**  
Chortle

**'Fantastic characters- consistently hit the mark.'**  
★★★★ Fringe Guru

**'Unpredictable and completely exhilarating.'**  
★★★★ TV Bomb [now The Wee Review]

### Reviews as The Dots:

‘New gauntlet in musical sketch comedy.’

★★★★★ Broadway Baby

‘Embodying everything an evening cabaret should be.’

★★★★★ Pocket Size Theatre

‘A joyful combination of slick theatre and intentional chaos.’

★★★★★ Wee Review

### Full Listing:

**Title:** Nerine Skinner: The Exorcism of Liz Truss

**Venue:** Just The Tonic, The Caves, Out Of The Box, 2:40pm

**Ticket link:** <https://tickets.edfringe.com/whats-on#q=Exorcism%20of%20Liz%20>

**Fringe Venue Number:** 88

**Dates & time:** 1-25 Aug (not 12) @ 2.40pm

**Press from:** 3<sup>rd</sup> August

**Age:** 14+

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Entry:** from £6

**Website:** [www.nerineskinner.co.uk](http://www.nerineskinner.co.uk)

**YouTube:** [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuFu0yVj\\_O\\_yPqbFf2xeB-A](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuFu0yVj_O_yPqbFf2xeB-A)

**Social media via:** <https://linktr.ee/nerineskinner>

**Show trailer:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U7fmny1xJvo>

### Footage:

[Liz Truss New Year's Honours Message](#)

[Life Coach Video](#)

[The Dots Britain's Got Talent](#)

[Talk TV Interview as Liz Truss](#)

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