Edinburgh Fringe 2024: Comedy

## Alfie Packham: My Gift to You



Underbelly Bristo Square (Dexter) 31 July - 26 August (not 12) @ 2.45pm

## **'A talented writer who is going places'** BBC Comedy

Alfie Packham was not a man who would "seize" things, such as the initiative, opportunities, or the day. But surely his mum's terminal cancer diagnosis in 2014 would change everything? As it turned out, no.

Alfie's mum lived for eight years with her illness, a period that spanned Alfie's twenties. In that time, she lived life to the full – much more than Alfie did. She taught him a lesson in how to seize upon life – by carrying on as normal.

*My Gift to You* is a stand-up show about gifts. It's both about the literal gifts Alfie's mum left him before she died and the gift of a routine and boring life. With observational bits, stories and props, this cerebral-but-silly show covers love and death, and less thematic stuff like football and his girlfriend's shoplifting habit. It explores the funny side of grief and the surprisingly everyday reality of terminal illness. Add this show to your bucket list today.

Saw an early version of *My Gift to You* on the Free Fringe last year and enjoyed the heck out of it.'

On The Mic

Alfie Packham is a stand-up comedian and writer based in London, where he has worked as a journalist for eight years. He was brought up in the rural West Midlands.

He was twice nominated for the BBC New Comedy Award and was the Max Turner Comedy Prize winner in 2022. He writes regularly for The Guardian and Observer as well as BBC Radio 4's *The Now Show* and *The News Quiz*.

Alfie also hosts the twice Chortle Award-winning comedy night Comedy Bandits, and co-created <u>Gun and Wand: The Official Companion Podcast</u>, a podcast about a TV show that doesn't exist (recommended by The Guardian).

## **'Comedy with a gag count and delightful storytelling.'** Fringe Review

Social media and website via https://linktr.ee/alfiepackham

Clips viewable <u>here</u>

Full Listing:

Title: Alfie Packham: My Gift to You Venue: Underbelly Bristo Square (Dexter) Ticket link: <u>https://tickets.edfringe.com/whats-on/alfie-packham-my-gift-to-you</u> Fringe Venue Number: 302 Dates & time: 31 July - 26 August (not 12) @ 2.45pm Press from: August 1st Age: 16+ (Guideline) Duration: 1 hour Entry: From £7

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