

Birmingham COMEDY Festival

2-11 Oct
2026



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Sat 26 Sep to Sat 3 Oct:

A WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE

Oscar Wilde's biting satire, which explores the moral hypocrisy, injustice and double standards

of the era and still resonates today.

The Crescent Theatre, Sheepcote St, Brindleyplace, Bham B16 8AE. Times vary. £16, Child £13.

Fri 2 Oct: CINEMA UNDER THE STARS: BILL & TED'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE (PG)

Bodacious sci-fi comedy surrounded by a stunning 360-degree night sky projection.

Thinktank Birmingham Science Museum, Millennium Point, Curzon St, Bham B4 7XG. £12, Child £8. 4pm

Fri 2 Oct: SISTER CONSTANTINE: SHAME!

A tale as old as time - boy grows up in

an all girls convent and boy becomes a nun. It didn't happen, but what if it did?

Cherry Reds (Map Room), 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 7pm



Fri 2 Oct: CINEMA UNDER THE STARS: GALAXY QUEST (PG)

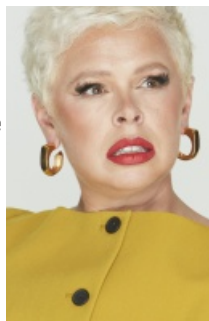
Out-of-this-world comedy surrounded by the planetarium's stars. Aliens mistake washed up sci-fi TV stars for their heroic characters.

Thinktank Birmingham Science Museum, Millennium Point, Curzon St, Bham B4 7XG. £12; Child £8. 7pm.

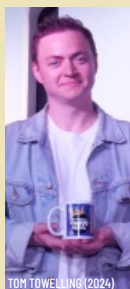
Fri 2 Oct: LAURA SMYTH: BORN AGGY

What if all your dreams come true and you've still got the hump? Laura's beaten cancer and she still thinks everyone's a d**khead.

Town Hall, Victoria Square, Bham B3 3DQ. £26.50. 7.30pm.



RYAN S LEWIS (2025)



TOM TOWELLING (2024)



HASAN AL-HABIB (2023)

Fri 2 Oct:

BIRMINGHAM COMEDY FESTIVAL BREAKING TALENT AWARD 2026

The West Mids' biggest comedy prize. Five of the very best emerging acts from across the region compete for the prestigious annual title. Compered by James Cook.

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £15.50 (£13). 7.15pm.



Fri 2 Oct: **FRIDAY NIGHT COMEDY**

Leicester Mercury Comedian Of The Year '25 Louise Atkinson; Mock The Week writer Alex Kealy; Scottish powerhouse Stuart McPherson; and Spencer Jones (Ted Lasso).

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £23.75 (£16). 8pm.



contrasts between British and Indian cultures.

1000 Trades JQ, 16 Frederick St, Bham B1 3HE. PWYW. 1pm.

Sat 3 Oct:

PHIL KIMBERLEY: PROJECT FAIL LAIRY

Is it a project? Yes. Will he fail? Maybe. Will he get lairy? Probably. Debut show from Phil.

The Wellington, 37 Bennetts Hill, Bham B2 5SN. PWYW. 1.45pm.



Fri 2 Oct: **ROCKET FAN**

The one woman, Elton John, singalong romcom. Musical comedy with Alice Keys, glittering glasses and (optional) singalongs.

Old Joint Stock, 4 Temple

Row West, Bham B2 5NY. £19.80. 8pm.

Sat 3 Oct:

THE BIRMINGHAM COMEDY FESTIVAL TASTING MENU

A mixed bill of rapid-fire trailers with fest faves, newcomers and old hands.

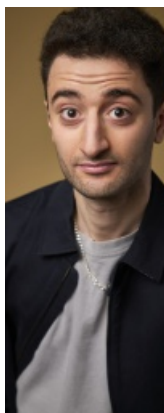
Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 12.30pm.



Sat 3 Oct:

RAHUL BATRA: COCONUT ISLAND

Comedy writer, sketch performer and actor Rahul explores the



Sat 3 Oct:

HASAN AL-HABIB: SOME LIKE IT HALAL

Star of BBC2's Pilgrimage, Breaking Talent Award 2023 winner and devout Brummie returns with his new solo show.

The Victoria, 48 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 2pm.

Sat 3 Oct:

RACHEL BAKER: WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

A cheeky community comedy show where everyone has a role to play.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 2pm.





Sat 3 Oct: **PAULUS THE CABARET GEEK:
WHAT WOOD VICTORIA DO?**

Mirth, music and macaroons from the Victoria Wood songbook. Celebrating women who don't mince their words but make everything better with a cuppa.
Old Joint Stock, 4 Temple Row West, Bham B2 5NY. From £22. 2.30pm.

Sat 3 Oct:
**LOVDEV BARPAGA:
HALF SOAKED**

From growing up in Brum to everyday absurdities, Lovdev blends warm storytelling with quick punchlines.

1000 Trades J0, 16 Frederick St, Bham B1 3HE. PWYW. 3pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **2 MUSLIM
2 FURIOUS 3:
SHARIA? I HARDLY
KNOW HER!**

Tired of being called terrorists, Aisha Amanduri and Hasan Al-Habib became something worse: comedians!

The Victoria, 48 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 3.30pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **ENRICO
TOUCHÉ: HOT KNEES**

For lovers of slapstick and the absurd – meet Enrico. You'll be touched. An hour of unbelievable nonsense.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 3.30pm.

Sat 3 Oct:
**ELAINE ROBERTSON:
DELULU**

Elaine takes you on a hilariously moving journey, from working in a Covid riddled care home, to being a pub singing princess impersonator...

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £16.75. 4.45pm.



Sat 3 Oct:
REYNOLDS: DISSONANCE

Chloe lets you into her world – unlikely to be directly relatable, but weirdly

you'll see yourself in her, even when she visits a trans sauna.

1000 Trades J0, 16 Frederick St, Bham B1 3HE. PWYW. 5pm.

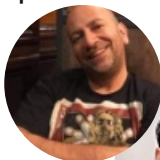


Sat 3 Oct:
**CAITRIONA
DOWDEN:
SESH HEAD**

Comedian/harpist invites us into the world of traditional Irish music for a show about family history, folklore and heritage.
Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 5pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **SHAM
ZAMAN: CHAOS**
Chaotic, dynamic, silly, dangerous, riveting, electrifying, thought-provoking, exciting, surprising, shocking!
The Wellington, 37 Bennetts Hill, Birmingham B2 5SN. PWYW. 6pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **NATE
KITCH: REPLICA**
After a sold-out Edinburgh run and tour the basically award-winning comic is back for his third rodeo!
Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 6.30pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **JULES O'BRIAN:
AVOID EXCESSIVE CLEAVAGE**
Jules is in her 50s and the 'helpful'

advice about things she should and shouldn't be doing keeps on coming.
Craft & Culture, Vyse St, Bham B18 6HA. £6. 7pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **ZAIN
IQBAL: ILLOGICAL**
Life is complicated. People are irrational. And somehow we're all pretending everything is fine.



The Wellington, 37 Bennetts Hill, Bham B2 5SN. PWYW. 7.15pm.

Sat 3 Oct:
SATURDAY NIGHT COMEDY
Laughs from Hull's Louise Atkinson; rising star Alex Kealy; Stuart McPherson (Some Laugh); and 2x Edinburgh Comedy Award nominated Spencer Jones.



The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £27.75 (£23). 7.15pm

Sat 3 Oct:
**JASON BYRNE: 30
YEARS BYRNING**
High-energy storytelling, surreal tangents and unstoppable laughter from the razor-sharp comic.
Town Hall, Victoria Square, Bham B3 3DQ. £34. 7.30pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **SILENT
FILTER COMEDY
AT THE CRESCENT**

Featuring Jonathan Hipkiss, Ash Baker, Phil Kimberley, Max Ponsoby, Jay Droch and MC Jonathan Core.

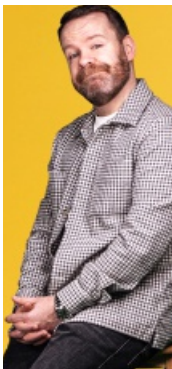
The Crescent Theatre, Sheepcote St, Brindleyplace, Bham B16 8AE. £10.26. 7.30pm.



Sat 3 Oct:
**NEIL DELAMERE:
REINVENTING
THE NEIL**

The comedic adventurer returns with a new show, packed to the brim with tall tales and hilarious stories.

Old Rep Theatre, Station St, Bham B5 4DY. £25.50. 7.30pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **OLGA KOCH: FAT TOM CRUISE**

Olga has one good story. Only it's not really her story. Wanna hear it? An immersive and genre-defying show.
The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £20.25. 8pm.

Sat 3 Oct: **GIFTED
& TALENTED:
THE MADELEINE
JIMP EXPERIENCE**

Madeleine has no identifiable skills or charm, but she's determined to find fame and fortune.
Starring Abbie Hale.
Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 8pm.



Sat 3 Oct: **SUSIE GRUMBALL &
JAMES JARVIS: DOUBLE BARRELLED**

A show about hope and its half-life.
Debut collaboration between a comedy thug and an ingénue.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 9.30pm.

Sun 4 Oct: **ARCTIC
NUMPTIES: THE FOUR
HORSEMEN OF MEH**

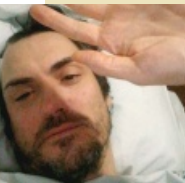
Four numpties - Oli Coaten, Giles Lawrence, Neil James, Ginge Field - embrace their limitations through sharp observations and storytelling.

Rose Villa Tavern, 172 Warstone Lane, Bham B18 6JW. PWYW. 4pm.



Sun 4 Oct: **BIRMINGHAM COMEDY FESTIVAL FREE HALF-DAYER**
All shows are FREE/ Pay What You Want (PWYW). No booking required, just rock up and see as many performances as you like!

**THE VICTORIA, 48 John Bright St,
Birmingham B1 1BN**



**ROB KEMP:
YOWCH!!!**

Rob has had a bit of an eventful 2026, starting it with the best intention of living his best life ... 1pm



**ANDY BUCKS:
ACID NERD/ ALAN
SUGAR CAN DO ONE**

Silly, nerdy stand-up. Features brutal rejection by corporate business drones. 2.15pm



**TAL DAVIES:
THE CLUB CAN'T
EVEN HANDLE ME
RIGHT NOW**

Is a teenage rebellion phase in your mid-30s funny or concerning? 3.30pm

JAMES COOK PRESENTS:



THE SABOTEUR

It's like Taskmaster meets The Traitors, but legally distinct from both. 4.45pm

**CHERRY REDS, 88-92 John Bright St,
Birmingham B1 1BN**

**JACKIE & NAPH:
WHAM! SALAAM,
THANK YOU, MA'AM!**

One's running from getting older, the other's running from the elders. 1pm



**SALLYANN
FELLOWES: BIRDY**

Award-winning comedian Sallyann was a Police Detective with a complicated secret. 2.15pm



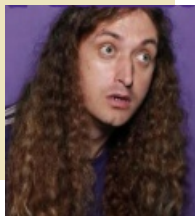
**DANNY CLIVES:
NOT IDEAL**

Was moving out of his mum's house a good financial decision for a man still collecting football stickers at 36? 3.30pm



TIM BIGLOWE: PLONKA

A high-energy show about finding life's golden ticket from he ISH Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee. 4.45pm



Sun 4 Oct:
**CRASH TEST
COMEDY**

Comedians try out their fresh material for an always entertaining night.

The Cuban Embassy, 23 St Mary's Row, Moseley, Bham B13 8HW. PWYW. 6.30pm.



Sun 4 Oct:
ROUGH WORKS

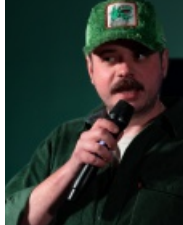
New material night that gives established comedians a chance to road test gags. Adam Beardsmore is your host.

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £9.50. 6pm.



Sun 4 Oct: **ANYTHING
BUT MUSIC! PRESENTS:
HOBNOBBING**

Join Gareth Williams and friends for a night that truly will be Anything But Music! **Spoilers, 81 Digbeth, Bham B5 6DY. PWYW. 7pm.**



Sun 4 Oct: **LOW EFFORT SKETCHES:
WE HAVE A PROBLEM**

Countdown to a rocket launch with award-winning sketch duo Alice Wickersham and Andy Bucks. **The Victoria, 48 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 7pm.**



Sun 4 Oct:
DESI CENTRAL COMEDY SHOW
Hilarity with Mark Silcox, Tommy Sandhu, Samira Banks, Prince Abdi and Muhsin Yesilada.

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. From £22.75. 7pm.



Mon 5 Oct:
HAPPY MONDAYS AT THE HIGHBURY
Open Mic show with top picks, regulars and turn-up-on-the-night acts. **The Highbury Inn, Dads Lane, Bham B13 8PQ. PWYW. 8pm.**

Tue 6 Oct: **EDEN VOSS: AUTASTIC!**
Eden answers the big questions such as 'Where's my tribe?' and 'What's the difference between a raisin and a currant?' Plus Vicky Quinn Fraser.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 6.30pm.



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Tue 6 Oct:

**THE GLITTER SISTERS
COMEDY AND MUSIC SHOW**

Brum's own Riot Women of comedy and music with an all-female bill featuring Twisted Sista, Gemma Roath, Rai Reid, Abbey Hughes/Be Unreal and guests.

**The Spotted Dog, 104 Warwick St,
Bham B12 ONH. PWYF. 7pm.**



Tue 6 Oct:

**MILO EDWARDS:
CATAMARAN**

After finding old letters his parents wrote, Milo asks what remains of a human life, what's torn out, and what happened to Jim Lock's catamaran?

**The Glee Club, The
Arcadian, 70 Hurst St,
Bham B5 4TD. £20.25.
8pm.**

Tue 6 Oct: **LOU CHAWNER: STORIES,
SONGS & SILVER LININGS (& TW*TS)**

An open and joyous exploration of how to stay vaguely sane in a world that doesn't always want you to.

**Cherry Reds, 88-92
John Bright St,
Bham B1 1BN.
PWYF. 8pm.**



Tue 6 Oct:

**A WIZARD ANSWERS
A RINGING PHONE ...**

A wizard will answer a ringing phone, describe events for 52 minutes, and then leave.

**Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St,
Bham B1 1BN. PWYF. 9.30pm.**



Wed 7 Oct: **STEVIE MARTIN: CLOUT**

After a sell-out run, Stevie (Mitchell & Webb Are Not Happening, The Horne Section) is back with more Clout.

**The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst
St, Bham B5 4TD. £22.75. 7.15pm.**

Wed 7 Oct:

CULT FIGURE: KENNETH WILLIAMS

Actor/impressionist Colin Elmer celebrates Williams' centenary, telling the great man's story in his own words.

**Old Rep Theatre, Station St, Bham B5
4DY. £20 (£17). 7.30pm.**





Wed 7 Oct:
KIELL SMITH-BYNOE'S KOOL STORY BRO
 Hit improv comedy from the star of Ghosts and Taskmaster. Featuring a surprise celeb' guest and the UK's best improvisers.
Town Hall, Victoria Square, Bham B3 3DQ. £29. 7.30pm.



Wed 7 Oct:
MATRILAUGHY PRESENTS: GIGGLES FOR THE GALS, GAYS & THEYS
 A fun, feminist, queer event. With Roxanne Douglas, Chickie, Gareth Williams, Dynamo Dan, Grace Miller, Victoria Frost, Sabbi Bentley.
Old Joint Stock, 4 Temple Row West, Bham B2 5NY. £16.50. 7.30pm.

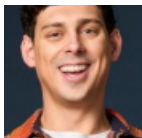
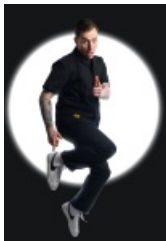
Thu 8 Oct: **COMEDY AT THE MUSEUM**
 Top-tier comedians bring the laughs to the historic museum Tearoom.
Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Square, Bham B3 3DH. £19.50. 6pm.

Thu 8 Oct: **BREW HAHA! AWARD WINNERS SPECIAL**
 Celebrating West Mids comedy award winners with the Princess of Northfield Lindsey Santoro, Ryan S Lewis, Hannah

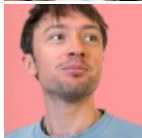


Weetman and more.
Attic Brew Co, 29B Mary Vale Rd, Stirchley, Bham B30 2DA. £7.50. 7.30pm.

Thu 8 Oct: **CONNOR BURNS: FLOW**
 A razor-sharp hour from Scotland's hilarious new stand-up superstar.
The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4T. £22.50. 7.15pm.



Thu 8 Oct: **MATT RICHARDSON & HARRY JENKINS**
 2-4-1 with Matt (Dancing On Ice, Xtra Factor) and Harry ('Destined for the big leagues' - I Choose Bham).
Stir Brum, 1469 Pershore Rd, Stirchley, Bham B30 2JL. £8. 7.30pm.



Thu 8 Oct: **STEPHEN CATLING: CLOWN FISH OUT OF WATER**
 When clowns can't breathe water and fish can't breathe air, what's a poor Clown Fish to do in this cruel world?
1000 Trades JQ, 16 Frederick St, Bham B1 3HE. PWYW. 7.30pm.





Thu 8 Oct: **COMEDY CAROUSEL**
The best bits from the weird world of the web with host Andy Robinson, plus Ian

Smith and Blank Peng.

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £10-£16.50. 8pm.



Thu 8 Oct: **THE LATE NIGHT SWEET SHOP: FESTIVAL SPECIAL**

Brum's cult alt-comedy night presents a mystery Pick'n'Mix of the most imaginative acts. With Richard Dadd.
Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 8pm.



Thu 8 Oct: **FEMALE ACTS PREFERRED***
Women-led stand-up showcase from the South West. *Plus one accepted exception. Bold confessions, dark observations and dramatic flair.
1000 Trades JQ, 16 Frederick St, Bham B1 3HE. PWYW. 9pm.



Fri 9 Oct:

LAUREL & HARDY MAKE MUSIC

Three classic comedies featuring the greatest double-act of all time, inc. their iconic Oscar-winning *The Music Box*, *You're Darn Tootin'* and *Below Zero*.
West Midlands Police Museum The Lock-Up, Steelhouse Lane, Bham B4 6BJ. 7pm. £11.



Fri 9 Oct:

WANTED IMMIGRANTS

Welcoming new immigrants, migrants, and asylum seekers from around the

world to share their jokes and stories.
Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. £10. 7pm.

Fri 9 Oct:

FRIDAY NIGHT COMEDY

With Ray Bradshaw (John Bishop support); New Zealand's Javier Jarquin; Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee Ian Smith; and the magnetic Blank Peng (Q1).
The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £23.75 (£16). 7.15pm.





Fri 9 Oct:

INDEFINITE LEAVE TO COMPLAIN

With Rishi, Av Singh and Jackie Kain. Three comedians, one stage, big laughs, awkward truths.

Ming Moon, 16 Hurst St, Bham B5 4BN. PWYW. 7.30pm.

Fri 9 Oct: SERENA TERRY: THERAPY

After a hiatus, Serena's back to her best! Still medicated, peri-menopausal and a bit unstable, but functioning.

Town Hall Victoria Square, Bham B3 3DQ. £29. 7.30pm.



Fri 9 Oct: DANIEL SLOSS: BITTER

Daniel's been performing stand-up for more than half of his life, becoming one of the top comedians on the planet!

Symphony Hall, Broad St, Bham B1 2EA. £34-£40. 8pm.



Fri 9 Oct:

SADOMUSICAL: A SHOW SO FUNNY IT HURTS

Two 'definitely not masochistic' artists create musical comedy with feeling - while feeling the real pain of electrocution.

Old Joint Stock, 4 Temple Row West, Bham B2 5NY. £15. 8pm.



Sat 10 Oct: **HANNAH**

WEETMAN: I DON'T KNOW WHAT I DID LAST SUMMER

This isn't a break-up show, it's a show about the aftermath. Bury the truth and get p***ed so you don't remember!

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 12.30pm.



Sat 10 Oct: **YOU ARE ALL RESOURCES**

HR's Allison Pope delivers the final staff briefing before announcing cuts. As her presentation unfolds, its clear some people can't stay buried. With Emma Davies.

1000 Trades JQ, 16 Frederick St, Bham B1 3HE. PWYW. 1pm.



Sat 10 Oct: **AISHA AMANDURI: GOD SAVE THE KHAN**

Aisha explores the absurdity of growing-up between cultures and asks if immigration has accidentally yassified Britain.

The Victoria, 48 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. £5. 2pm.



Sat 10 Oct:
**AN HOUR OF
ERIC RUSHTON'S
TIME**

Eric doesn't know exactly what this show will entail, but it will last for approximately an hour.

**Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St,
Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 2pm.**



up in Birmingham and navigating the absurdities of adult life.

**The Victoria, 48 John
Bright St, Bham B1
1BN. PWYW. 4pm.**



Sat 10 Oct: **JACK
HARRIS & JIM
MCAULIFFE: JADED**

From baffling trends to keeping faithful to their obscure interests, nothing is off the table for these two.

**1000 Trades JQ, 16
Frederick St, Bham B1
3HE. PWYW. 3pm.**



Sat 10 Oct: **DAVE FLYNN: ALPHA PUG**
What is it to be a man in 2026? The 30-

something millennial tries to navigate the modern world...
**1000 Trades JQ,
16 Frederick St,
Bham B1 3HE.
PWYW. 5pm.**

Sat 10 Oct: **RICHARD
DADD: THAT TIME
I INVENTED
TASKMASTER AND
INVADED FRANCE**

Richard relives a ridiculous episode of his life with the aid of video footage to prove he didn't hallucinate it.

**Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St,
Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 3.30pm.**



Sat 10 Oct: **JIM JUDGES:
ABSOLUTE BUS STOPS
OF NORTHERN EUROPE
AND BEYOND**

Bus stop multimedia comedy from the brain behind Ian Crawford: Cutlery Safety Expert.

**Cherry Reds, 88-92 John
Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 5pm.**



Sat 10 Oct:
BEN COLEMAN: ABOUT A BEN

A musical comedy show about growing



Sat 10 Oct: **MAT
TAYLOR'S HISTORY
OF HORROR FILMS**

Mat stitches together over a century's worth of horror films into a lumbering cadaver of a comedy show.

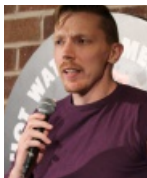
**Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St,
Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 6.30pm.**

Sat 10 Oct:

**CALEB JAMES:
LAUGHING MATTER**

Caleb has heard one phrase in his life over and over, that phrase is 'no laughing matter'.

1000 Trades JQ, 16 Frederick St, Bham B1 3HE. £5. 7pm.



Sat 10 Oct: **SATURDAY
NIGHT COMEDY**

With Scot Ray Bradshaw; comedian/ 'Card Ninja' Javier Jarquin; Ian Smith (Live at the Apollo, HIGNFY); and the sought-after Blank Peng.

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £27.75 (£23). 7.15pm.



Sat 10 Oct: **BEHIND THE HEADLINES:
SHAKESPEARE'S FIRST DRAFTS**

Special performance of Henry V based on an imaginary first draft. Lots of laughs, familiar lines, no boring bits.

The Crescent Theatre, Sheepcote St, Brindleyplace, Bham B16 8AE. £13.50. 7.30pm.

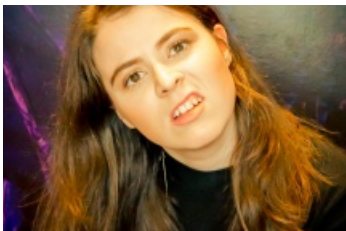
Sat 10 Oct: **IT'S YOUR ROLE: THE
INTERACTIVE D&D ADVENTURE**

A madcap D&D adventure as a troupe



of professional actors brings a chaotic fantasy world to life!

Old Joint Stock, 4 Temple Row West, Bham B2 5NY. £15. 7.30pm.



Sat 10 Oct:

MARY FLANIGAN: BOOKWORM

Mary did an English degree 10 years ago and now she's going to make that everyone else's problem.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 8pm.

Sat 10 Oct: **PAUL
FOOT: THE FUTURE**

Pioneering alt-comedy hero Paul is back. Remember when people were excited for the future?

MAC Birmingham, Cannon Hill Park, Bham B12 9QH. £18.95. 8pm.



Sat 10 Oct:
**KATIE SLATER &
 RACHEL PAGE:
 HITCHED & DITCHED**

Trying to navigate their 30s with grace, one's married, one can't get past the first date, both are unhinged.

1000 Trades JQ, 16 Frederick St, Bham B1 3HE. PWYW. 9pm.



Sat 10 Oct: **DAMON CONLAN'S
 CAULDRON OF FOOLERIE**

A gathering of the finest rascals, rogues, and rhapsodists for feats of Magick and Slye comedy.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 9.30pm.

Sun 11 Oct: **LUNCHTIME
 FAMILY COMEDY SHOW**

Family laughs with the award-winning Michael Legge, Aaron Simmonds (Rob Beckett's Undeniable) and Matt Ricardo 'The Gentleman Juggler'. Ages 5+

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. Adult £16, Child £12. 12.30pm.



Sun 11 Oct:
JAMIE DOUGLAS: ERASMUS

A loose retelling of a year spent in Spain and Brazil, as well as advice on what not to say at a bull fight.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 12.30pm.



Sun 11 Oct:
**TOM TOWELL
 TEACHES YOU
 TO KNIT**

Highly anticipated debut hour from the Channel 4 Sean Lock Comedy Award 2025

and B'ham Comedy Festival's Breaking Talent Award 2024 winner.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 2pm.

Sun 11 Oct: **LAUREL
 & HARDY: MAKE MUSIC**

BCF on tour with a triple-bill of classic black and white films from Stan and Ollie.

Stourbridge Town Hall, Crown Centre, Crown Lane, Stourbridge DY8 1YE. £13.55. 2.15pm



Sun 11 Oct: **NINA SEMPLE: NINA'S SHOW**

Happy-go-lucky meets constant confusion with Nina, here to entertain you with some comedy that will ideally charm you along the way.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 3.30pm.



Sun 11 Oct:

SUNDAY EXPRESS TAKEOVER

Comedy cabaret in memory of the late poet Brendan Higgins. With Alan Gray, Alan Hughes, Bundy, Globe,



Bom and his Magic Drumstick, Ian Cheese, Random Alice, Rachel Lucy Day.

The Spotted Dog, 104 Warwick St, Digbeth, Bham B12 ONH. 4pm.

Donations for Fybromyalgia Action UK.

Sun 11 Oct:

HEATHER FOX'S OUTFOXED

Self-proclaimed entertainment sensation

Heather (Lin Smith) invites you to the pilot taping of her ultimate masterpiece: Outfoxed.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 5pm.



Sun 11 Oct: **COBO: COMEDY SHUTDOWN**
A Black History Month Special featuring some of the very best comedians around.

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. From £22.75. 6pm.

Sun 11 Oct: **CELYA AB:**

WE MUST STOP MEETING LIKE THIS

Have you ever forensically over-thought your life choices? Comedy from Breaking Talent Award winner Celya



(Saturday Night Live UK).

The Glee Club, The Arcadian, 70 Hurst St, Bham B5 4TD. £21.75 (£19.75). 6.30pm.

Sun 11 Oct:

CRAIG DEELEY: LITERALLY THE JOKE

Part stand-up/ part PowerPoint meltdown, Craig showcases the

reactions of strangers when a comedian tries out new gags online.

Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 6.30pm.



Sun 11 Oct: **STEPHEN & PHALANGE'S GUIDE TO BIRDING**

Do you get in a flap recognising your buzzards from your bulbuls? A comedy

hoot from Hannah Weetman and Gareth Williams.
Cherry Reds, 88-92 John Bright St, Bham B1 1BN. PWYW. 8pm.



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