

Get your compass, map and jokepack at the ready as Iain MacDonald takes you...

Around the World in 80 Puns

After his run at the Edinburgh Festival in 2023, one liner and pun merchant Iain MacDonald brings his show back to Edinburgh for all lovers of wordplay and geography.

You name the country and he'll tell you the joke! Iain has journeyed around the world finding puns on every country, every English county and all 50 U.S States as well as a load more jokes that will have you feeling like Marco Polo or Christopher Columbus by the end of the hour. And with the aid of his giant world map and miniature globes for the audience, will you be able to catch him out?

After having done single 1 hour performances at The Glasgow Comedy Festival (for the last 5 years) and The Great Yorkshire Fringe (2019), the time came to do a full run at The Edinburgh Fringe in 2022. The success of PUNDEMIC (2022) saw Iain take the show onto Nottingham Comedy Festival and then Leicester Comedy Festival but the time came for a brand new conceptualised show that would both challenge the writer and give something back to the audience. This show doesn't have a prerequisite condition of geography knowledge, it is all directed towards silly jokes that the audience will enjoy and engage with, as his sold out rooms in Edinburgh 2023 can attest to.

Starting comedy in 2009 from a stand up comedy course, Iain has developed a strong local following which has seen him become UK Pun Championship finalist (2017, 2018, 2020, 2022), ChampiPUNship runner-up 2019, UK Pun Off Puntest of Champions runner up 2021 and an invited Britain's Got Talent contestant in 2022 as well as having writing credits on BBC Scotland's Off The Ball and Breaking The News programmes. He has also recently released his own joke book based on the Edinburgh show as well as his first book, entitled 'Mispunderstood' and runs a comedy workshop at Men Matter- a national men's mental health charity. He also runs the UK Pun Off and hosts his regular show 'Buzzwords Comedy Bingo' throughout Scotland.

"Scotland's Prince of Puns" **Johnnie Beattie, BBC Radio Scotland**

"Understands the importance of a clean, clear setup as well as the killer pun-chline" Sally Jack, Sabotage Reviews

Live show- Bar 50, Garden Room.50 Blackfriars Street. EH1 1NE

Dates - August 1st to 25th (not 12th)

Time - 11:15am (1 hour duration)

Tickets- PWYC

Suitable for 12+

A wheelchair accessible room

<https://tickets.edfringe.com/whats-on/around-the-world-in-80-puns>

Media tickets available for the show by contacting Iain directly on the below contact information.

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