

## MC: Jon Pearson

Nottingham comedian Jon Pearson began standup comedy in 2010, with his first performance at Birmingham's Highlight Comedy Club. Two successful Edinburgh shows later, Jon is now a regular at the UK's most prestigious comedy clubs, including The Glee Club, Jongleurs and The Comedy Store. His 2015 Daves Leicester Comedy Festival show, *Jon Pearson: Tall Order*, **sold out** at Melton Theatre within 2 weeks of the tickets going on sale.

Jon's laid back storytelling has audiences hanging on his every word. With tales based around his own life experiences, his anecdotes are relatable and certain to have people in hysterics.



## Headline: Barry Dodds



Charms audiences with his unique brand of disarming wit and wry and down-to-earth observational humour.

Self-confessed comedy geek, Barry took to the comedy stage at the tender age of 21 and soon had audiences eating out of the palm of his hand. Using his own combination of irrepressibly cheeky, and surprisingly dark material, he quickly found himself taking the national comedy circuit by storm.

Finalist in various high profile competitions such as Jimmy Carr's Comedy Idol and Jongleurs Last Laugh Comedy Search, his twinkly eyed, playful demeanour disarms judging panels, industry experts and audiences alike, allowing him to flirt coquettishly with topics that are traditionally a little more controversial.

His calm, inclusive persona has ensured that Barry has also proven himself to be a popular and amiable MC, garnering a reputation as a strong and reliable choice to hold a quality line up together.

A talented storyteller who uses whimsical imagery and evocative observations, Barry is an assured closing act, with regular bookings at many of the UK's top comedy clubs including The Stand, XS Malarkey and The Frog and Bucket. His comedy has even taken him to Luxembourg, where his solo show proved so popular, he became the first ever comedian to perform on Luxembourg TV.

"Razor sharp humour" – Metro  
"One of comedy's original thinkers" - Dominic Holland  
"Very impressive" – Jasper Carrot  
"Winning friends with his energy and spirit..." – Chortle

### Television & film:

- Hebburn – BBC 2 - 2012
- Luxembourg TV - 2006
- Take the Mic – ITV - 2005
- Stand up Britain – ITV - 2005
- Jimmy Carr's Comedy Idol Finalist – DVD – 2005

Support from: Rob Coleman, Ben Briggs, Thomas Rackham, Alex Hylton and Hannah Sylvester

Tickets: £10 per person, all profits go to Jigsaw Support Scheme

\*Last entry 7.45pm