



MZA & Gilded Balloon present

Kai Humphries: Punch-Drunk



Venue: Gilded Balloon Teviot, Sportsmans
Address: Gilded Balloon, Teviot Row House, 13 Bristo Square, Edinburgh, EH8 9AJ
Dates: 3rd – 28th August
Time: 6.45pm
Prices: Previews £6, Weeknights £10 (£8), Weekends £12.50 (£10)

In the boxing ring, the only thing more powerful than sibling rivalry is brotherly love.

Acclaimed award-winning comedian Kai and his brother Gav grew up on a council estate in the mean streets of Blyth, a socially deprived town on the outskirts of Newcastle. Gavin wasn't just an older bro but also occasionally also a bodyguard, his “protection” allowing Kai to develop the cocky, fearless personality that would equip him to go on to become an internationally successful stand-up.

This wonderfully affirming and downright hilarious story is how a life-changing accident in 2013 led the brothers to create one of the country's most prestigious comedy chains – “Punch-Drunk Comedy” and how Punch-Drunk's regular stand-up events along with their associated food-bank collections, community outreach programmes as well as the now infamous and literally life-saving Comedians Boxing charity fundraiser ‘Fight For Kian’ * has brought some of the biggest names in live comedy to the working men's clubs in the North East of England and has both reignited and rejuvenated a community's spirit. Feel good comedy of the highest order and jokes which (literally) pack a punch!

** ‘Fight For Kian’ brought together 20 of the biggest and best comedians from the UK comedy circuit and was hosted by Rhod Gilbert. A sold-out audience of 800 packed the biggest local sporting arena to cheer on the event (under the watchful eye of Millennium Martial Arts) which was staged to raise money for pioneering and life saving neuroblastoma treatment urgent needed by local lad Kian Musgrove, which was only available in America and would cost no less than half a million dollars. The headline fight on the card would see the two brothers pulling on their boxing gloves and fighting in front of their home crowd, against each-other.*

‘It's always an awesome experience when a performer just nails it – this Geordie comedian gets it so right from the very beginning, it's an amazing experience... massive laughs... a festival highlight.’ ★★★★★ (Australia Times)

‘Phenomenally funny... authentic... side-splitting jokes... His show is not to be missed... ‘Brilliant!’ ★★★★★ (Broadway Baby)

Winner Forth Fringe Award 2016 and as seen on tour with Daniel Sloss, Jim Jeffries & Steve O (Jackass)

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