

# Edinburgh Festival Fringe – ARTHUR SMITH SINGS LEONARD COHEN

☒ **ARTHUR SMITH SINGS LEONARD COHEN (VOLUME TOO) AT EDINBURGH  
FRINGE**

**3-18 AUGUST 2013**

**Venue: Pleasance Cabaret Bar, 60 The Pleasance**

**Time: 14.30 (1 hour)**

**Tickets: Aug 3-4,9-11,16-18 £12.00(£11.00)**

**Aug 5-8,12-15 £10.00(£9.00)**

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Just as Degas felt compelled to return to ballet dancers and David Attenborough to his gorillas, so Arthur Smith turns again to Leonard Cohen.

It is 13 years since Arthur Smith Sings Leonard Cohen was a hit at the Edinburgh Fringe. The show subsequently ran in London's West End and at the Just For Laughs Festival in Montreal. It was recorded for Radio 4 and it is still repeated frequently on Radio 4 Extra. Is it a coincidence that Cohen's stock has risen ever since? (yes).

In this new show Arthur, channelling Leonard, deals with the big 'D's of life – death, disappointment, diabetes, dementia, darkness, desire and dancing. He also recounts the bizarre story of his recent meeting with Mr Cohen. Arthur will be accompanied and enhanced by Kirsty Newton and Carrie Marx.

Arthur Smith has been regularly attending the Edinburgh Fringe since 1977. He has also written stage plays such as [An Evening with Gary Lineker](#) and The Live Bed Show, both of which transferred to the London's West End. His autobiography, My Name Is Daphne Fairfax, was published to critical acclaim in 2009. Arthur Smith is a regular presenter on Radio 4 and 4 Extra, appears in the series Grumpy Old Men and the One Show and tours the country doing his one man stand up show.

In 2008 he finally accepted the 'Spirit of the Fringe' award that had been offered to him numerous times.