

Edinburgh Festival Fringe – Hunt and Darton Cafe



**Hunt & Darton Cafe 17-21 St Marys Street EH1 1SU (venue 172)
3-25 August (not Mondays 5, 12, 19) Time: 10.00 – 17.00 FREE
admission**

Hunt & Darton/Escalator East to Edinburgh present:

One of the most talked about successes of the 2012 Fringe, the award winning Hunt & Darton Cafe is back at 21 St Mary's Street in Edinburgh city centre. An interactive art café for the cultured palate, it's a place of engagement, spontaneity, action, artists and great food & drink.

'In a Fringe swimming with comedians, Shakespeare adaptations, improv comedy and BBC recordings, Hunt & Darton Cafe made its mark as something truly alternative.' Three Weeks presenting the Editors awards

Live art duo Jenny Hunt & Holly Darton blend art with the everyday in a fully functioning café in this interactive performance installation. From the food served to the people who serve it, from the menus to the profit and loss sheets, the entire business will be presented as art, open to public scrutiny and served with a twist. Food on offer includes cakes (Battenberg!), light lunches and Hunt & Darton's signature dish, the roast dinner sandwich. This is serious business, prepare for appetites to be satisfied in more ways than one!

The alternative service from Hunt & Darton themselves (often wearing their iconic pineapple outfits and hats) is the stuff of legend (and a Three Weeks Editors Award) and a daily-changing line up of artists will wait on the tables and create unique performances as they serve. Other artists have created

bespoke till rolls, 'not' menus, other café related ephemera and, well... art!

For 2013 Hunt & Darton introduce Hunt & Darton Bar, the Fringe's new home of the avant-garde, offering an alternative artist-led venue to present and expose significant work by suitably sympathetic artists that's definitely not be missed. Ticketing is through The Pleasance.

Shows are:

All Roads Lead To Rome – Chris Dobrowolski 2-25 Aug (not 5, 12, 19)

Boredom – Hunt & Darton 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24 Aug

Buzzcut – Buzzcut 2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25 Aug

How To Avoid Making An Entrance of Yourself – Dot Howard 2-25 Aug (not 5, 12, 19)

Popaganda – Richard DeDomenici 2-25 Aug (not 5, 12, 19)

Bedding Out – Liz Crow 9-10 Aug (30 hours)

Mucus Factory – Martin O'Brien 12 Aug only (5 hours)

See individual releases for full details