

Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2017 – Margaret Thatcher Queen of Game Shows

DING DONG THE WITCH IS BACK! In a world of referendums, Brexit, Trump, another election and overall turmoil, Fringe favourite and multi-award winning Margaret Thatcher Queen of Soho returns to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe for her fourth year to provide relief with the most fabulous game show of all!



Fresh from a total sell-out run in August 2016, the Iron Lady has set her sights on light entertainment has decided to become the new Mr. Saturday Night (except not a man). Join Maggie as she leads audience members to compete for their golden giro cheque in a topical drag cabaret extravaganza like no other! Updated for 2017 with brand new topical sketches and games based on Brexit, the General Election, and what ever else happens in the news leading up to August – and quite frankly, in this climate, that could be anything!

Alongside cameo appearances from Jeremy Corbyn, Angela Merkel, Nigel Farage, Nicola Sturgeon and Owen Jones, and games including Brexit Through The Gift Shop, Fake News and Check Your Privilege, there'll be songs and let's not forget, there'll be catchphrases: "The Lady's not for turning, for turning the lady's...?"

Created by Jon Brittain and Matt Tedford and produced by Off The Kerb Productions and Áine Flanagan Productions, the magnificent Maggie returns to Assembly George Square Gardens nightly at 9pm from the 3rd – 27th August following last years sell out run.

Margaret Thatcher Queen of Soho says: "There's a right wing populist in the White House, a woman in number 10, tension with Russia and the very real threat of imminent nuclear war...it's like I never went away!

In fact I'm feeling so comfortable I'm bringing my fabulous and critically acclaimed game show back to Edinburgh. Come

and compete in games such as 'Check Your Privilege', 'Brexit Through The Gift Shop' and 'Fake News' but remember, Putin isn't allowed to help you win in this show. So, I'll see you all in

Scotland (while its still part of the UK) and where there are points, may we bring prizes!"

2016's run of Margaret Thatcher Queen of Game Shows at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe saw the show playing to sold out audiences every night and become one of the top three best reviewed shows of the Fringe, garnering an admirable nine five star reviews and much critical acclaim and notoriety.

Since the Queen of Soho's debut in 2013, the drag comedy musical spectacular about gay rights, the 80's and disco received rave reviews across the board and won huge acclaim after playing to an audience of over 15,000 during two completely sold-out runs at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe in 2014-2015, two sold-out runs at the Leicester Square Theatre (March and December 2015), a sold out run at the Underbelly Festival Southbank and two consecutive years at the Brighton Comedy Festival (2014 and 2015), as well as appearances at the Brighton Fringe and Dublin's International Gay Theatre Festival, both in 2014.

The show has won the Brighton Argus Angel for Artistic Excellence (Brighton Fringe) and Matt Tedford won the Micheál Mac Liammóir Award for Best Male Performance (Dublin International Gay Theatre Festival), and he also received a nomination for the Most Promising Writer (Off West End Awards).

Co-creator Jon Brittain won a prestigious Olivier Award in the Outstanding Achievement In An Affiliate Theatre category for his critically acclaimed play, 'Rotterdam' and was nominated for Most Promising Playwright in The Evening Standard Theatre Awards 2016.

Maggie is also hosting Margaret Thatcher Queen of Club Nights for 2 nights during the Edinburgh Festival Fringe at Assembly Checkpoint on Saturday 19th and Saturday 26th August at 1am.

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Assembly George Square Gardens (Piccolo) |Assembly, George Square Gardens, EH8 9JZ| 3 – 27 August (not 14) |9pm

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Ticket Prices: Weekend £14/£13, Weekday
£13/£12 & Preview £10

Running

Time: 1 hour 10 minutes