


Edinburgh Festival Fringe – Rob Auton: The Hair Show

Our Pick of Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2017 – Rob Auton: The Hair Show



'The Hair Show is an exploration into the importance of appearance and how people react to someone who looks like he has checked out. This show is suitable for people who have, or have had hair and hairs.'

Rob Auton is a stand-up comedian and poet. A past winner of the **Dave Funniest Joke of The Fringe** award, he returns to Edinburgh with a show that sees him cast an introspective eye over the world of hair, underpinned by leaving his head hair and beard to their own devices until he has performed *The Hair Show* for the final time.

 For the past five years Rob has used his command of words and heart-filled offbeat humour to explore seemingly mundane subjects: sleep, water, faces, the sky and the colour yellow. These shows have given rise to an underground cult status at the Fringe.

Rob recently released spoken word album *At Home With Rob* on Scroobius Pip's record label Speech Development Records, adding to two collections of writing and illustrations published by Burning Eye books. He's also had his poetry turned into short films for Channel 4.

Rob's unique world view has been acknowledged through being shortlisted for the prestigious *Spoken Word Award* by the Arts Foundation, receiving a *Best Short Film* nomination for the *The Peamaster*, which he co-wrote and starred in, at the Milan Film Festival and taking on Glastonbury Festival's official 'Poet

in Residence' role in 2014.

Alongside performing solo, Rob hosts 'the best poetry gig in the UK' (*The Times*) *Bang Said the Gun*. Starting as an antidote to dreary poetry and even drearier poetry nights, the spoken-word night's raucous and anarchic spirit attracts a rich mix of new talent and some of the most established names in poetry and music, including Sir Andrew Motion, Kate Tempest and Jarvis Cocker.

The Hair Show, Just the Tonic, Fancy Room, (Venue 88) Previews 3 – 26 Aug (not 14 Aug) 15:55-16:55 Tickets £5 Over 18s only.

[Tickets here](#)