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Mark Bunyan **Mark Bunyan: Forty Years Out**



Celebrating Forty Years Out, Mark Bunyan returns to the Fringe with a show that is short, witty and full of punch. A bit like himself.

Britain's Got Talent approached **Mark Bunyan** last October to sing on their programme. He said yes – who wouldn't? – but two days before his London Palladium debut, the lawyers decided that his song about apples was too rude for ITV and he couldn't sing it. So he's decided to return to the Edinburgh Fringe with it – and a whole mass of other stuff – instead.

After his debut as the Fringe's first openly gay cabaret performer in 1980, Mark regularly sold out multiple Fringe performances throughout the 80s. He then decided to let some others have a go, and took his cabaret performances to various venues around the UK, the US, Finland, Sweden, and Denmark. He now returns after a 32-year hiatus with **Forty Years Out**, a brand new show that looks back over his career as an openly gay cabaret performer.

In addition to a long career as a performer, Mark Bunyan also wrote the musicals *Just Good Friends* (Best Musical of 1982, City Limits Magazine), *Achilles in Heels*, and *Unburied Treasures*, as well as *Dinner*, which won the **International Playwriting Competition** at Croydon's Warehouse Theatre. A biography of his life, *Very Nearly Almost Famous*, also featured as an official selection at the San Francisco International LGBT Film Festival in 2013.

'He writes and performs with a rare combination of wit, sensitivity and tenderness... In turn, hilariously funny and extremely moving...

Don't miss him: he is simply superb' Scotsman

'A composer-parodist who restores one's faith in the unfashionable traditions of the witty English musical and intimate revue' Observer

'One of the great comedians at the piano' BBC Radio 4

Listings Information

Venue	C aquila, Roman Eagle Lodge, 2 Johnston Terrace, venue 21
Dates	1-26 Aug
Time	19:05 (1hr00)
Ticket prices	£8.50-£10.50 / concessions £6.50-£8.50 / under 18s £4.50-£6.50
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