

**Comedy Tour News**

Phil McIntyre Entertainments presents:

**NISH KUMAR****'Actions Speak Louder Than Words Unless You Shout The Words Real Loud'  
TOUR 2016****2015 FOSTER'S EDINBURGH AWARD – NOMINEE  
2015 BEST REVIEWED SHOW AT THE EDINBURGH FRINGE  
2015 BEST INTERNATIONAL SHOW: NEW ZEALAND COMEDY FESTIVAL****TOP 5 TELEGRAPH SHOW TO SEE 2015****GUARDIAN'S TOP 10 SHOW OF THE EDINBURGH FESTIVAL 2015**

*"Sometimes it's obvious that you're watching a comic enter the big league. Nish Kumar's Edinburgh fringe show in 2015 was such an occasion. Exploring political comedy, interrogating his own supposed left-wing bias and conjuring with the possibility of right-wing comedy, his latest set offered passion and plenty to chew on, and was a masterclass by a no-frills stand up at the height of his powers."* **BRIAN LOGAN**

Nish Kumar is set to tour the UK with his fifth solo show 'Nish Kumar: Actions Speak Louder Than Words Unless You Shout The Words Real Loud'. This follows a month long run at the Pleasance Courtyard Cabaret Bar in August, where the show premieres. The tour takes in 40 dates and starts on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October in Maidstone The Hazlitt and culminates on 12<sup>th</sup> December at London's Duchess Theatre.

Last year Nish received a Fosters Comedy Edinburgh Award nomination and had the best reviewed show with the critically acclaimed sell out that was 'Long Word... Long Word... Blah Blah Blah...I'm So Clever', which went on to tour the UK and included a 4 week run which was extended at London's Soho Theatre.

Following on from last year's show 'Actions Speak Louder Than Words Unless You Shout The Words Real Loud' is similarly political. This show includes topics like gentrification and colonisation. He wonders, have rich people ruined the world? Are hipsters and trendy people to blame for bad legislation? And why are we still proud of the British Empire and not ashamed? He puts across his own conspiracy theories. He also moots is there any point in doing comedy about politics? Does shouting from the sidelines actually achieve anything? Is profiting from political comedy a double standard?

Alongside stand-up Nish is also a frequent voice and face across both television and radio. Since 2015 he has hosted the topical comedy show, 'Newsjack' for Radio 4 Extra, which earlier this year won the Rose D'or for Best Radio Comedy Show. On screen you can catch up with Nish on the likes of *Live From The BBC*, *Have I Got News For You* (BBC), *The John Bishop Show* (BBC One), *Russell Howard's Stand-Up for Central* (Comedy Central), *The Alternative Comedy Experience* (Comedy Central), *Live at the Comedy Store* (Paramount), *Alan Davies As Yet Untitled* (Dave) and *Live At The Apollo* (BBC Two). In December 2015 Nish was selected by Sky Arts to write a special Comedy Christmas Short in which he also starred. 2016 looks set to be big for Nish with various radio and television projects in development. Nish is also due to appear at the Just 4 Laughs Comedy Festival in Montreal.

His previous shows were 'Ruminations on the Nature of Subjectivity' (and one of the Top 10 best reviewed shows in 2014), 2013 'Nish Kumar Is a Comedian' (which went onto a two week Soho Theatre that year) and in 2012 his debut show 'Who Is Nish Kumar?' (that received a Nomination for Best Show at the Leicester Comedy Festival 2013, a spot in Dave's Ten Funniest Jokes Of The Fringe and went on to do a two-week Soho Theatre run). Alongside his stand-up career, Nish has also starred in a number of comic plays including 'The Hotel' at the Edinburgh Fringe in 2009 for which he had a key role and in 'Wardens' at the 2013 Fringe Festival.

## CRITICS ON 'LONG WORD, LONG WORD, BLAH BLAH BLAH, I'M SO CLEVER':

*"An excellent show – urgent to communicate, unapologetically intelligent and technically impressive.... there's the thrilling sense of Kumar's comic instinct and moral fury working in harmony, to produce his most confident, compelling set yet"*

**THE GUARDIAN ★★★★★**

*"Strikingly good...A masterclass in comedy"*

**THE SCOTSMAN ★★★★★**

*"Delivered with an electric speed and pin-sharp self-deprecation and all the more satisfying for it's political intent.... I doubt you'll see a better show all month"*

**THE MIRROR ★★★★★**

*"politically engaged, passionate and playful, a confident mature performer."*

**THE LIST ★★★★★**

*"...Kumar sizzles, he pushes boundaries..."*

**HERALD ★★★★★**

*"An increasingly potent political comedy powerhouse.... he's a relevant, well-informed and hilarious commentator on Britain's social state"*

**CHORTLE ★★★★★**

### The tour dates are as follows:

#### OCTOBER

Sat 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>MAIDSTONE</b> – The Hazlitt
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>SALFORD</b> – The Lowry
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CAMBRIDGE</b> – Junction
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>GUILDFORD</b> – Glive
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SOUTHEND</b> – Palace Theatre
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HULL</b> – Fruitspace
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NOTTINGHAM</b> – The Glee
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BROMSGROVE</b> – Artrix
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BATH</b> – Rondo
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>LINCOLN</b> – Engine Shed
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NORWICH</b> – Arts Centre
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>MILLOM</b> – Beggars Theatre
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>EGREMONT</b> – Florence Mine Arts Centre
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>LEEDS</b> – Wardrobe
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CHELTENHAM</b> – Town Hall
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CRAWLEY</b> – Hawth
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>LIVERPOOL</b> – The Slaughterhouse
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MAIDENHEAD</b> – Nordon Farm
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>PETERBOROUGH</b> – The Key Theatre

#### NOVEMBER

Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>GLASGOW</b> – Oran Mor
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>ABERDEEN</b> – Lemon Tree
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>EDINBURGH</b> – The Stand
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BIRMINGHAM</b> – Mac
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>STOCKTON</b> - Arc
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BRIGHTON</b> – Komedia
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BASINGSTOKE</b> – The Forge at The Anvil
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BRISTOL</b> – The Comedy Box
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>LEAMINGTON SPA</b> – Royal Spa Centre
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CARDIFF</b> – Clwb Ifor Bach
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>WOLVERHAMPTON</b> – Civic Slade Room
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>READING</b> – South Street
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SWANSEA</b> – The Grand Theatre Studio
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>OXFORD</b> – The Glee

#### DECEMBER

Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NEWCASTLE</b> – The Stand
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>ALDERSHOT</b> – West End Centre
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>EXETER</b> – Phoenix
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>COVENTRY</b> – Warwick Arts Centre
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NEWBURY</b> – New Greenham Arts
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NEWPORT PAGNELL</b> – The Cannon
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>LONDON</b> – The Duchess Theatre

**WATCH NISH IN ACTION:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fbgDnD8Tepk>  
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