



Gilded Balloon presents

# Ray Bradshaw: Deaf Comedy Fam Tour



## Extends his hit national tour to May 2019

**Scottish Comedian of the Year Finalist  
Adelaide Fringe Weekly Innovation Award 2018**

After a sell-out run at the Edinburgh Fringe, and a hugely successful tour of 2018, two-time Scottish Comedian of the Year finalist **Ray Bradshaw** has extended the tour of critically acclaimed stand up show **Deaf Comedy Fam** to May this year due to phenomenal demand.

1 in 6 people suffer from hearing loss. Two of those people are Ray's parents. **Deaf Comedy Fam** presents a first for stand-up comedy: Ray tells his stories in English as well as his first language, British Sign Language. Growing up with deaf parents, Ray has many hilarious and eye-opening tales to share – including the time he learned that Santa wasn't deaf! **Deaf Comedy Fam** is a truly unique show, representing a desire of Ray's to make the world of comedy more accessible for deaf people – if only to take the pressure off himself when it comes to making his parents laugh. Don't miss out on the first ever comedy set to be spoken and signed by the stand-up themselves!

**Deaf Comedy Fam** debuted at **Glasgow International Comedy Festival** and completely sold out, before moving to the **Edinburgh Festival Fringe** for a critically acclaimed, fully sold out run. Ray has numerous radio credits under his belt with **BBC Scotland** and **BBC Radio 4**, supported **Ardal O'Hanlon** on his recent tour and is a regular guest on **Frankie Boyle and Friends**.

Having launched his comedy career in 2008, Bradshaw has quickly established himself as one of the brightest and most exciting acts on the UK comedy circuit. A two-time Scottish Comedian of the Year finalist, Bradshaw had a total sell-out, smash-hit run with **I Dare Ray To...** in 2015, as well as two sell-out seasons at **Adelaide Fringe** in 2015 and 2016. In the past year alone, Ray has performed at **Adelaide Fringe**, **Melbourne International Comedy Festival**, **Singapore Fringe** and the **Kuala Lumpur Comedy Carnival** amongst others.

Twitter: [@comedyray](https://twitter.com/comedyray)



**What the press have said about Ray Bradshaw:**

*'Has a clear comedy gift'*

★★★★ **Edinburgh Evening News**

*'Captivating, funny and sharply executed... Bradshaw's brilliance truly comes to the fore [as] the show is a winning combination of substance and humour'*

★★★★★ **Broadway Baby**

*'Deaf Comedy Fam takes stand-up comedy into a new realm... a show I'll remember for years – take a bow, Ray Bradshaw'*

★★★★★ **Short Com**

*'I grinned from ear to ear for the entire hour... the result is wonderful'*

★★★★ **Voice Mag**

*'Ray Bradshaw will have you laughing out loud... a mix of dry Scottish humour and great storytelling which might just teach you something in between your giggles'*

★★★★ **Fringe Guru**

*'Like the natural raconteur he is, Bradshaw makes each and every story into pure hilarity... Go on, I dare you to see Ray, and I defy you not to have a good time'*

★★★★ **One4Review**

**TOUR DATES: April – May 2019**

- 13<sup>th</sup> April**      **Chester: Storyhouse**  
<https://www.storyhouse.com/guide/theatre>
  
- 26<sup>th</sup> April**      **Stirling: Macrobert Theatre**  
<https://macrobertartscentre.org/whatson/>
  
- 27<sup>th</sup> April**      **Newbury: Arlington Arts**  
<https://arlington-arts.com/>
  
- 29<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> May**   **London: Soho Theatre**  
<https://sohotheatre.com/>
  
- 3<sup>rd</sup> May**          **Oban: The View**  
<https://www.obanview.com/>
  
- 11<sup>th</sup> May**        **Stockton on Tees: The Arc**  
<https://arconline.co.uk/>
  
- 17<sup>th</sup> May**        **Coventry: Warwick Arts Centre**  
<https://www.warwickartscentre.co.uk/>
  
- 18<sup>th</sup> May**        **Derby: Guildhall Theatre**  
<https://www.derbylive.co.uk/whats-on/>
  
- 19<sup>th</sup> May**        **Sale: Waterside Arts**  
<https://watersidearts.org/whats-on/>



**21<sup>st</sup> May**

**Llanelli: Ffwrnes**

<https://www.theatrusirgar.co.uk>

**24<sup>th</sup> May**

**Chipping Norton: Chipping Norton Theatre**

<https://www.chippingnortontheatre.com/>

**25<sup>th</sup> May**

**Norwich: Arts Centre**

<http://norwichartscentre.co.uk/>

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