

Joe Lycett

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**The Times**

**Awards:**

- **Winner:** Best Show – Chortle Awards 2016
- **Nominee:** Best Compere – Chortle Awards 2013
- **Nominee:** Foster's Edinburgh Comedy Award Best Newcomer 2012
- **Finalist:** BBC Radio 2 New Comedy Award 2011
- **Winner:** Best Newcomer – Chortle Awards 2010
- **Winner:** Chortle Student Comedian of the Year 2009
- **Runner-up:** Latitude Festival: New Act of the Year 2009
- **Runner-up:** Laughing Horse New Act of the Year 2009
- **Semi-Finalist:** So You Think You're Funny 2008
- **Edinburgh Fringe 2008:** Amused Moose Hot Starlet

Joe Lycett is an award-winning comedian and writer.

One of the best-loved performers in the UK, Joe is a stand-up star with bundles of stage presence and effortless charm. An Edinburgh Comedy Award Best Newcomer nominee and a Chortle Award winner, Joe's profile has risen rapidly since making his stage debut at the Manchester Comedy Store in 2008.

Joe made his debut on **The Royal Variety Performance**, in 2016, in front of HRH Prince Of Wales and HRH The Duchess Of Cornwall at London's Hammersmith Apollo. Since then, Joe has become a familiar face on television performing stand-up on programmes such as BBC1's **Live At The Apollo** and ITV's **Sunday Night At The Palladium**, as well as regularly starring on panel shows such as Channel 4's **8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown**, BBC2's **QI** and ITV2's **Celebrity Juice**. In 2017 Joe was the host of BBC1's **Comic Relief** show, performed stand-up on **Michael McIntyre's Big Show** for BBC1 and was a contestant on the fourth series of Dave's **Taskmaster**.

In 2015, Joe became the new host of BBC Radio 4's long-running panel show, **It's Not What You Know**, and in 2018 Joe had his own BBC Radio 4 show, **Joe Lycett's Obsessions**, commissioned. He has made regular appearances on BBC Radio 4 institution **Just A Minute**, **The Richard Bacon Show** on Radio 5 Live, **The Scott Mills Show** on BBC Radio 1 and has co-hosted **The Greg James Show** on BBC Radio 1.

Joe performed his hotly-anticipated debut hour **Some Lycett Hot** at the 2012 Edinburgh Fringe Festival. The show was a huge hit with critics and audiences alike, selling out its entire run and securing Joe a Foster's Comedy Award Best Newcomer nomination.

Joe has since returned to the Fringe with his 2013 hit, **If Joe Lycett The You Should've Put A Ring On It**, and the critically acclaimed **That's The Way, A-Ha, A-Ha, Joe Lycett** in 2015. Both shows enjoyed sold out runs and rave-reviews, with the 2015 Fringe culminating in a packed-out show at the 750-seater Pleasance Grand. Joe toured the show in 2016, winning the Chortle Award for Best Show and eventually releasing it on DVD. Joe has also performed internationally at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival and Montreal Just For Laughs Comedy Festival.

Joe hit the road with his biggest tour to date in 2018, with his latest show **I'm About To Lose Control and I Think Joe Lycett**. The tour of the UK and Ireland was a huge success, with over 90 dates performed, and Joe will tour the show in Australia in 2019.

2019 is set to be another bumper year for Joe, as the new host of BBC2's **The Great British Sewing Bee** and with his brand-new comedy consumer affairs show, **Joe Lycett's Got Your Back**, for Channel 4.

Joe made his first foray into the literary arena with **Parsnips: Buttered**, a self-help book designed to teach you how to "baffle, bamboozle and boycott your way through modern life", released in October 2016.

#### **Television – Comedy/Entertainment:**

- The Great British Sewing Bee (Host, BBC2, 2019)
- Joe Lycett's Got Your Back (Host, C4, 2019)
- The Great Stand Up To Cancer Bake Off (Contestant, C4, 2018)
- Roast Battle (Contestant, Comedy Central UK, 2018)
- The Time It Takes (Host, BBC1, 2018)
- Mary Berry's Christmas Party (Guest, BBC1, 2018)
- Sunday Brunch (Co-host, C4, 2017, 2018)
- The One Show (Guest, BBC1, 2017, 2018)
- The Last Leg (Guest, C4, 2018)
- Celebrity Portrait Artist of the Year (Contestant, Sky Arts, 2018)
- Comic Relief (Host, BBC1, 2017)
- Michael McIntyre's Big Show (Performer, BBC1, 2017)
- QI (Guest, BBC2, 2017)
- 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown (Guest, C4, 2014 - 2017)
- Taskmaster (Contestant, Dave, 2017)
- Travel Man (Guest, C4, 2017)
- Harry Hill's Alien Fun Capsule (Guest, ITV, 2017)
- As Yet Untitled (Guest, Dave, 2017)
- The Big Spell (Co-host, Sky1, 2016-17)
- Live At The Apollo (Host, BBC1, 2016)
- 12 Stars Of Christmas (C4, 2016)
- The Royal Variety Performance (Performer, ITV, 2016)
- The Jonathan Ross Show (Guest, ITV, 2016)
- Room 101 (Guest, BBC2, 2016)
- Countdown (Dictionary Corner, C4, 2016)
- Russell Howard's Stand Up Central (Performer, Comedy Central, 2016)
- Duck Quacks Don't Echo (Sky 1, 2016)
- Drunk History (Storyteller, Comedy Central, 2016)
- Insert Name Here (Guest, BBC2, 2016)
- Thronecast (Guest, Sky Atlantic, 2016)
- The Great British Bake Off: Extra slice (Guest, BBC2, 2015)
- 8 Out Of 10 Cats (Guest, C4, 2011, 2012, 2015)
- Would I Lie To You? (Guest, BBC1, 2015)
- Celebrity Fifteen To One (Guest, C4, 2015)
- Sunday Night At The Palladium (Performer, ITV1, 2015)
- Reality Bites (ITV2, 2015)
- The Apprentice: You're Fired (Guest, BBC2, 2014)
- Live At The Apollo (Performer, BBC1, 2014)
- Never Mind the Buzzcocks (Guest, BBC2, 2012, 2014)
- Celebrity Squares (Panellist, ITV, 2014)
- Sweat the Small Stuff (Guest, BBC3, 2013, 2014)
- Montreal International Comedy Festival Gala (Performer, Comedy Central, 2014)
- Twit of the Year (Panellist, C4, 2013)
- Staying In With Greg & Russell (Guest, BBC3, 2013)
- Xtra Factor (Guest, ITV, 2013)
- Britain's Got More Talent (Guest, ITV, 2013)
- Celebrity Juice (Guest, ITV2, 2012, 2013)
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- Don't Sit in the Front Row – Guest (Guest, Sky Atlantic, 2012)
- Deal or No Deal (Guest, C4, 2012)
- Dirty Digest (Regular Panellist, E4, 2011)
- Comedy @ The Fringe (Performer, BBC3, 2011)
- Epic Win (Co-host, BBC1, 2011)
- Show and Tell (Guest, E4, 2011)
- Most Annoying People 2010 (Guest, BBC3, 2010)
- The Late List, non-broadcast pilot (Channel 4, 2010)
- Laughter Shock (BBC3, 2010)

#### **Radio:**

- Joe Lycett's Obsessions (Host, BBC R4, 2018)
- It's Not What You Know (Host, BBC R4, 2016 - 2018)
- The Greg James Show (Co-host, BBC R1, 2017, 2018)
- Chain Reaction (BBC R4, 2017)
- The Unbelievable Truth (BBC R4, 2015)
- Don't Make Me Laugh (BBC R4, 2014, 2015)
- Just a Minute (BBC R4, 2014, 2015)
- Britain Vs The World (BBC R4, 2014)
- Phil Taggart & Alice Levine (BBC R1, 2013)
- The Scott Mills Show (BBC R1, 2013)
- The Josh Widdicombe Show – weekly contributor (XFM)
- The Radio One Breakfast Show with Nick Grimshaw (BBC R1, 2013)
- It's Not What You Know (BBC R4, 2013)
- Tom Deacon's Road Trip (BBC R1, 2013)
- MacAuley and Co (Guest, BBC Radio Scotland, 2011-13)
- The Scott Mills Show (Guest, BBC R1, 2012)
- Richard Bacon (Guest, BBC Radio 5 Live, 2012)
- Afternoon Reading: Comic Fringes (Writer/Performer, BBC R4, 2011)

#### **Voiceover:**

- Ibiza Weekender Series 1-3 – Voice Over (ITV, 2015-2017)
- Magaluf Weekender Series 1-3 – Voice Over (ITV2, 2013-14)

#### **Live:**

- I'm About To Lose Control and I Think Joe Lycett, UK Tour 2018
- That's The Way, A-Ha A-Ha, Joe Lycett, Edinburgh Fringe 2015 then UK tour 2015/2016
- If Joe Lycett Then You Should've Put a Ring On It, Edinburgh Festival 2013 then UK tour 2013/14
- Joe Lycett: Some Lycett Hot, Soho Theatre 2013
- Joe Lycett: Some Lycett Hot, Edinburgh Festival 2012
- Jack Whitehall: Let's Not Speak Of This Again, UK Tour 2011 - Support
- Tommy Tiernan: Poot, UK Tour 2011 - Support
- The Pleasance Comedy Reserve, Edinburgh Festival 2011
- Ross Noble and Friends
- Scott Capurro: Spring 2011

#### **Books**

Joe Lycett: Parsnips, Buttered: Bamboozle and boycott modern life, one email at a time (Hodder & Stoughton, 2016)

#### **Press Comments:**

## 2018 tour

If one marker of good comedy is making it seem effortless – not an artifice at all, just a naturally funny person chatting from the stage – then Lycett is among the best we've got. \*\*\*\* (The Guardian)

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He'll have you chuckling near-constantly \*\*\*\* (The Guardian)

By looking, listening, being alert to the infinite quiriness of everyone else's experiences and expressions, he makes those narrow horizons teem with possibility and comic life. \*\*\*\* (The Guardian)

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**The Times 4\***

*If you want to bet on the next mainstream stand-up star put your shirt on Joe Lycett.*

**Evening Standard 4\***

*He's cheeky, warm, super-funny and mixes delightful stories and observations. He's effortlessly funny and an hour in his company is an absolute pleasure.*

**Time Out**

*Extremely fine gags*

**Guardian**

*Rising talent Joe Lycett already possesses the confidence and relaxed, homely charm of an old campaigner*

**The Times**

*A delightfully natural style that builds a real connection with the audience...an accomplished storyteller*

**Chortle**

*Entertainingly mischievous ... intensely charming*

**Guardian**

*Lycett's guaranteed to be a huge star*

**Time Out**

*The epitome of affability on stage... he has an excellent way of telling a story*

**Chortle**

*A growing force on the UK stand-up circuit*

**The Telegraph**

**On 2015 Edinburgh Show *That's The Way, A-Ha, A-Ha, Joe Lycett***

*He has the calm, confident air of a comedian twice his vintage.*

**The Independent 4\***

*Some comedians just make it look so easy, and Joe Lycett is one such example. An hour in his company just goes down like water. Since he made his debut two years ago, he has developed the serene air of a comic completely at ease with himself and his material.*

**Chortle 4 ½ \***

*He makes funny seem easy*

**The Guardian**

**On 2013 Edinburgh Show Joe Lycett: *If Joe Lycett Then You Should've Put A Ring On It***

*An accomplished hour...instant rapport with his audience*

**Metro**

*This show is a roaring success*

**Fest**

*So entertaining...cheerfully silly...it's a pleasure to be in Lycett's company*

**Chortle**

*It's impossible not to be carried off on a wave of goodwill...should leave you grinning with liberal delight*

**The List**

**On 2012 Edinburgh Show Joe Lycett: *Some Lycett Hot***

*This may be Joe Lycett's debut solo year, but his confidence and comic timing would be the envy of the most experienced turn* **The List**

*His armoury consists of wit, charm, and the enviable ability to elicit laughs through cadence alone.* **Chortle**

*[The Audience is] utterly charmed...Don't be surprised to see him gracing the Best Newcomer shortlist.* **Metro**

*Scorching comedy.* **Fest**



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