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JEREMY HARDY: AT ABERYSTWYTH ARTS CENTRE

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'One of the sharpest comedians on the circuit' The Guardian

Jeremy Hardy is one of the UK's foremost and respected stand-up comedians. An essential member of Radio 4's *The Newsquiz* team, Hardy is back on the road from this Autumn.

His Live Work:

Hardy's new live show could be called an extravaganza were it not for the fact that nothing happens. He comes on, talks for a while and then goes off again. He doesn't walk about. In fact 'show' is a bit of an overstatement. But he does say quite a lot, most of it coherent. And he means well, which is the main thing. Still alive and able to speak for lengthy periods, this will not be so much as a one-man show as an understaffed cavalcade.

Jeremy's perhaps best remembered as a younger man, but there is nothing he can do about that now. He became a stand-up comic in 1984 and will be one until he dies or wins the lottery. His live work has included *Just For Laughs* Montreal Comedy Festival, the **Edinburgh Fringe Festival** where he won the prestigious **Perrier Award** and numerous tours of the UK and Ireland.

His Biographical Information:

Hardy is a regular on several Radio 4 shows including: *The Newsquiz*, *I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue*, *Hamish and Dougall* and *Just A Minute*. Last year he has published a book *My Family And Other Strangers* (Ebury Publishing) chronicling his desperate search for interesting ancestors. He has also written *Jeremy Hardy Speaks To The Nation* (Methuen) and *When Did You Last See Your Father* (Methuen). Jeremy has had a regular column in the Guardian and the Evening Standard Magazine. In 2002, he travelled to the West Bank to film a documentary about the International Solidarity Movement. The acclaimed *Jeremy Hardy V The Israeli Army* has been on general release in the UK and is now being screened all over the world. *'Britain might just have found it's very own Michael Moore'*. Peter Bradshaw, The Guardian.

Jeremy's recent television credits include: *QI* (BBC1), *Mock The Week* (BBC2), *Grumpy Old Men* (BBC1), *Back In The Day* (BBC2), *Not Tonight With John Sergeant* (BBC2). He appeared in *Hotel*, a feature film directed by Mike Figgis opposite Burt Reynolds, David Schwimmer and Rhys Ifans. He was also in *Blackadder* and *Sorry*. And in 2008, Jeremy appeared, with Robert Pattinson, in the film *How to Be*.

The performance starts at 7.30pm and tickets are £14. To book please contact Aberystwyth Arts Centre ticket office 01970 62 32 32 or go online www.aber.ac.uk/artscentre

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