

TOUR PACK: Before and Dafter / Anticipating Hindsight – by Jude Simpson



In 2025/26 **Jude Simpson** toured her debut family show **“A Noise Annoys”** to **33 venues around the UK**, including theatres, libraries, literature festivals and a zoo! On the way, she picked up rave reviews and **a nomination for Best Kids Show** at the Leicester Comedy Festival.

Bolstered by this success, and backed by some hard-won Arts Council funding, Jude is embarking on **two new shows**. She’s delighted to be back writing for general audiences, and equally thrilled to be developing another show for children/families. Both are **solo shows** and **will be touring theatre studios, festivals, libraries and other community spaces from May 2027**. They are available to **book now**, either as a package or individually.

*She has words on a string like so many yoyos, and her words sparkle with wit and panache – **The Scotsman**
funny, sharp, emotional in her work, and a terrific performer – she needs to be seen and heard wherever possible – **Michael Rosen***

Anticipating Hindsight will be an uplifting showcase of witty wordplay, observational humour, and an interactive song about cake...! With her “charming, sidewise look at life” (Skinny Fest) Jude asks, can we predict how we might look back on life, and by doing so, improve our decision-making in the present?

Touching on parenting, ageing, teenagehood and cuppa soup, Jude will attempt to challenge the idea that we are helpless in the face of time.

LENGTH: Two halves of 45 mins (one hour festival version also available)
AGE: 13+



Before and Dafter will be a joyful hour of playful poetry, silly songs and fun interaction for Primary-aged children and their families.

Jude turns her witty wordplay to the subject of time. From things you can time yourself doing, to a Dad whose love of cheese is taking up too much of his life, you'll find hilarious puns, unusual insights and lots of fun interaction.

LENGTH: 1 hour AGE: 6+

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