

# Instant Wit

## The Unusual Suspects

These are conspicuously skilful performers – everyone is exhilarated on stage and off!”

- The Guardian

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**Join The Unusual Suspects as they try for another Great Escape from The Comedy Police**

Instant Wit is the quick fire comedy improv show. Every performance is different, featuring songs, gags, and routines all made up on the spot from ideas dreamt up by the audience. Instant Wit is a pick-me-up tonic with unexpected twists and a dash of sauce.

Completely improvised around audience suggestions, audiences are able to participate at a level with which they are comfortable. Some shout out with suggestions, others write their ideas down anonymously during the interval to kick start the second half, and some just sit back and enjoy the show.

“One of the funniest evenings ever... Immensely talented comedians who could improvise anything, anywhere, in any style.”

“Exceptional ingenuity, side-splitting pleasant humour, incredibly clever sketches based on audience ideas carried out by a talented company of players. Instant Wit are first class.”

“Instant Wit – it does everything it says on the can – we laughed so much we cried”

Promoter/Audience Feedback

The show is in two halves of 40-45 minutes each and is performed by 3 performers and a musician. It comprises a series of sketches and songs in a format that has been well-honed in front of audiences for over decade. Fresh and inventive, every show throws up new gems crafted by a company of the highest calibre.

## Instant Wit – The Company



Instant Wit has been entertaining audiences for over 14 years in and around Bristol. Founded by Stephanie Weston and Chris Grimes, the company is made up of performers and musicians, who are widely respected in their own right and, all of whom have well-toned comedy muscles! Performers include: Mike Ackers, Polly Barsby, Chris Bianchi, Howard Coggins, Peta Dennis, Craig Edwards, Barbara Furlong, Chris Grimes, Timandra Harkness, Felix Hayes, Stu McLoughlin, Jon Monie and Stephanie Weston. Instant Wit's music is provided by Kate Courage, Kit Morgan, Colin Smith, Knud Stüwe, Pete Rosser and Jonathan Taylor.

## Instant Wit – The Audience

Instant Wit is intended for adult audiences aged 14+. While the show has a broad appeal for all ages from 20-something to 70+, there is a strong crossover with audiences who enjoy physical, slapstick and devised comedy shows. We are able to support venues in marketing the show to their audiences through provision of our marketing pack, film promos for download, sample press releases, posters and flyers.

## Instant Wit – Other Activities

Instant Wit can provide workshops in devised comedy and shows tailored towards younger audiences. If you are interested in these activities please do contact us to discuss your requirements.

## Check List

Get In Time	2 hours
Running Time	First Half 45 mins, Interval, Second Half 40 mins
Get Out Time	45 mins
Performance Area	4m width x 3m depth minimum
Lighting Requirements	Where stage lighting is available general cover, warm straw on Instant Wit banner hung at back of stage colour gels for specific improv scenes if possible.
Sound Requirements	PA to play CD - Track List available on request 13 amp power supply for musician.
Other Requirements	Dressing Room for 4 people with drinking water Meal for 4 people Accommodation for 4 people if more than 2 hours drive from Bristol
People in Company	4
Marketing	Marketing Pack available. Posters and Flyers available, to be overprinted by venue/promoter
Target Audience	14+
Other Activities	Workshops and Shows for Young Audiences available. Please call to discuss your requirements
Other Information	This is a flexible show that can adapt to different venue requirements and audiences.

For further details & to book contact

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