

URZILA CARLSON COMES TO THE NEW ZEALAND COMEDY FESTIVAL WITH A BRAND NEW SHOW

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2017 – Award-winning South African/New Zealand comedian, **URZILA CARLSON**, brings her brand new hour of stand-up *Studies Have Shown* to Aotearoa in 2017, offering kiwis an evening of hilarious, fresh stand-up.

A much-loved comedian of NZ stage and screen, Carlson brings *Studies Have Shown*, to the 2017 NZ International Comedy Festival powered by Flick Electric Co. to both Auckland and Wellington in May.

Tickets for all shows go on sale at 12pm today, February 16.

For full ticket and tour information, visit: <u>livenation.co.nz</u>.

Every time you hear, "studies have shown" you know you're about to learn something ridiculous! Studies have shown your dog is happier than your cat! Who cares! How about they give funding to scientists to come up with a way to eradicate the unibrow, or those weird thin white hairs you occasionally find attached to your face! Let's get some research done on what happens to your blood pressure when your kid keeps getting out of bed - when you've tucked them in 20 f*cking times already!

South African-born, and household name in NZ as a cast member of TV3's hit comedy panel show **7Days**, Urzila took to the stage for the first time in 2008. Since then she's racked up an impressive array of awards including Best Female Comedian at the 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 **NZ Comedy Guild Awards**, as well as the coveted **TV3 People's Choice Award** two years in a row at the NZ International Comedy Festival.

Urzila regularly sells out her live shows in NZ, Melbourne, Sydney and Perth; and her first book, a memoir entitled *Rolling with the Punchlines*, has just been released through Allen & Unwin.

Don't miss one of the quickest wits in the biz – Ms Urzila Carlson.

"Carlson is a gifted and accomplished comedian - an absolute must-see." - Appetite for the Arts

"Effortlessly likeable... stream of belly-laughs" - The Age, Australia

"Standout performance... sidesplitting" – Rip It Up, Australia

STUDIES HAVE SHOWN NEW ZEALAND TOUR DATES:

HANNAH PLAYHOUSE, WELLINGTON - TUESDAY MAY 2 – SATURDAY MAY 6, 2017 SKYCITY THEATRE, AUCKLAND – FRIDAY MAY 12 & SATURDAY MAY 13, 2017

TICKETS ON SALE 12PM TODAY FEBRUARY 16

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The 2017 NZ International Comedy Festival powered by Flick Electric Co. will run from 27 April – 21 May. Full programme of shows will be available on comedyfestival.co.nz

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