

# GAG REFLEX

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## John Cooper

"Has the audience smiling immediately. Original, genuinely unpredictable and very rewarding ...has some cracking lines"

**Chortle**

### Brief Description

An original blend of sharp wit and inventively inspired stories, John performs throughout the UK and is a highly regard compere.

A member the Manchester Comedy Store's resident improv team 'ComedySportz', he's played intenationally in Chicago, Washington, Milwaukee and New York.

John also performs as 'Danny Pensive' (see [www.dannypensive.co.uk](http://www.dannypensive.co.uk)), pushing the envelope of eclectic humour with his passion for creating truly alternative comedy.

In 2008 John debuted his first full Edinburgh show "The 30 Year Itch", setting himself the challenge of tackling the subject of growing up with a skin condition, and raising the awareness of childhood conditions like eczema. Telling a personal story about growing up, moving on, flaring up, flaking out and the joy of grown up as a geek, the show was a critical success, proving that even the most unpleasant of subjects, when tackled the right way, can be a positive source of comedy and inspiration.

John often appears on BBC radio Manchester, and writes a blog for Sci-Fi & Fantasy magazine SFX.

### Biography

- "The 30 Year Itch" - Edinburgh Debut Show 2008
- City Life Comedian of the Year Finalist - 2006
- So you think you're Funny Semi-finalist 2004
- 'Best of British' Finalist, The Frog & Bucket, Manchester Comedy Festival - 2003
- Manchester Comedy Store 'King Gong' ( x3 )



## TV and Radio

- BBC 2 - "The Speaker" 2009 (watch the video)
- Cadbury's Clusters - (TV ad)
- Mrs Buchan - Ipso facto Films for Channel 4.
- The Sam Walker Show, BBC Radio Manchester.

## Review for Edinburgh debut show - "The 30 Year Itch"

The fact that one man created a comedy from the basic premise of the irritating skin condition will never cease to astound. Hilarious, just go and see John Cooper."

- Three Weeks

## Press Quotes

"superb...brilliantly done"

- BBC

"Just go and see John Cooper."

- Three Weeks

"Great material coupled with excellent delivery"

- XS Malarkey

"Had the audience in hysterics & me crying with laughter"

- Ribbed Comedy

## Web Links

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