

# COMEDY TRAINING COURSES

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## BECOMING A REVIEWER

led by KATE COPSTICK (comedy reviewer for the Scotsman)  
with STEVE BENNETT (comedy reviewer and editor of Chortle)  
on a SUNDAY AFTERNOON in May in central London,  
in time to be fully prepared to review at the Edinburgh Fringe.

*So you think you might be a good critic. Come along to find out everything that anyone can teach you about the role of critic and reviewer, from the two undoubtedly most mentioned comedy reviewers whose views are widely quoted.*

The hugely revered and respected KATE COPSTICK will cover the whole process of reviewing:

“Starting with an examination of why people want to become critics and the difference between a reviewer and a critic, Copstick looks at all aspects of a critic's job.

From knowing your stuff through a discussion on how to approach a show and when to excuse yourself, through good gig etiquette, writing style, finding your voice, the 'must haves' and, just as importantly, the 'mustn't haves' in the finished article, plus the more technical aspects like word count and awarding stars, the course will give you pretty much all you will need to know to start putting your opinions out there for the world to read.

Do not think you will just be sitting there taking notes. Be prepared to get involved. Questions will be asked, and answers will be held up for criticism.”

STEVE BENNETT, principal reviewer and editor of [Chortle.co.uk](http://Chortle.co.uk), will touch on the process of reviewing from his perspective:

His main focus will be practical advice on getting your reviews published, what opportunities exist for working as a journalist in comedy, and what commissioning editors are looking for. There will be a Q&A at the end. Incidentally Steve has also worked for a national newspaper.

After the seminar, you will have the opportunity to review the evening show. What you write will be critiqued by Copstick and looked over by Steve Bennett.

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**Date: Sunday 8 July: From noon to 6/6.30pm**

followed by a comedy show for exercising your new reviewer skills

**Venue: Karma Sanctum Hotel's cinema, 20 Warwick St, W1B 5NF** (Tubes: Piccadilly Circus & Oxford Circus)

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### HOW TO TAKE PART:

**Enrolling online:** The course fee is £110 (no booking/card fee); click on <http://www.wegottickets.com/event/441022>

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