

**The Pretend Men** are Nathan Parkinson, Zachary Hunt and Tom Turner; a three man **multi award-winning, globally acclaimed** comedy theatre company based in London. With a shared vision of creating highly **physical**, highly **entertaining** and even highly clever comedy, **The Pretend Men** were born.

Their debut show **POLICE COPS** took the world by storm; winning an accolade of **awards**, received numerous **5 star reviews** and enjoying **3 sell out runs** on London's **West End** at **Soho Theatre**.

**POLICE COPS** has toured the UK twice and played to sell out houses all over the world including The **Edinburgh Fringe Festival** 2015 & 2016, The **Brighton Fringe Festival** 2016, The **Melbourne International Comedy Festival** 2016, The **Cape Town Fringe Festival** 2016 and The **National Arts Festival of South Africa** 2017.

In 2017 **The Pretend Men** presented their highly anticipated follow up show, **POLICE COPS IN SPACE**.

The show debuted at The **Edinburgh Fringe Festival** 2017 and the company once again enjoyed a **TOTAL SELL OUT** run, across the board critical acclaim and were once again invited back to **The Cape Town Fringe Festival**, **The National Arts Festival of South Africa** and **London's West End** for a 2 week run at **Soho Theatre**.

**The Pretend Men** create highly playful performances which combine inventive physical storytelling with their own brand of comedic text. Parody and satire are centred at the heart of their productions, where they integrate with dynamic stagecraft, supercharged physical theatre and cinematic style. Imaginative concepts, exhilarating texts and musical flare, **The Pretend Men** create vibrant pieces of theatre that leave a lasting impression on their audiences.

The Pretend Men are...

NATHAN PARKINSON  
*Sammy Johnson*

Nathan is an Actor/Writer from London. Nathan has appeared in '**The League of St George**' (*The Hope Theatre, London*), '**Cafe Ruse**' (*The Roundhouse, London*) and '**Shooting with Light**' (*The National Theatre, China*). In his spare time Nathan also enjoys being the person in charge of doing the programme which enables him to put himself first on the bill, and steal other people's jokes and make it seem as though he said them first. He also enjoys writing about himself in third person.

ZACHARY HUNT  
*Ranger*

Zachary is an actor, writer and musician from Kent. He trained at East 15 acting school. He is co artistic director of the comedy company 'The Pretend Men'. (The company that I guess you are about or have just watched.) Zachary is often described as the short one

of the company but makes himself feel better about this by imagining that he is a cunning bad guy and the two oafs either side of him are his dim witted henchmen. Zachary also enjoys 'chewing the cud' with friends and writing about himself in third person.

TOM ROE

*Professor Tanner*

Tom (Actor/Writer) graduated East 15 with a 1st Class BA Honours in Acting & Contemporary Theatre. He's had lead roles in large theatre productions '**Enduring Song**' (Southwark Playhouse.) and several short films, with small roles in larger scale productions '**Foster Florence Jenkins**' (Stephen Frears) and has just finished filming for a BBC TV series. Tom is also known as the boring one.