

# Press Release

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## Behind the Boosh – an exhibition of photos from cult UK comedy

Photographer, comedian and art director Dave Brown will be exhibiting a collection of behind-the-scenes photographs taken over the years on set and on tour of The Mighty Boosh at Oriel Colwyn, from 01 September until 16 October 2012.

Dave Brown has been part of the cult UK comedy The Mighty Boosh since its conception in the late 90s. Over the years he has been involved in many aspects of the show including the design of DVDs, books and merchandise, to choreography, music and playing many characters in the show itself, most famously Bollo, the Gorilla.

Dave's photography of his fellow cast members and good friends Noel Fielding, Julian Barratt, Rich Fulcher and Mike Fielding spans over 12 years. The exhibition of photographs provides a unique insight into the lives and characters of The Mighty Boosh collective, intimate back stage moments from TV shows and sell out live tours, some seen for the first time, many of which are Dave's personal favourites.

The Behind the Boosh exhibition at Oriel Colwyn will run for six weeks and will coincide with the Giddy Goat Comedy Festival, held over the weekend of 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> September at Venue Cymru and Theatr Colwyn.

Oriel Colwyn is open most weekdays from 10am-5pm, the exhibition will be also be available to view during normal theatre and cinema opening hours. There is no charge to view the exhibition.

Paul Sampson, curator of Oriel Colwyn, said: "We are absolutely thrilled to be able to bring this fantastic exhibition to North Wales."

"Dave's photography captures unseen moments in the Boosh, the photos were taken really well, they are very real, and make you feel as if you are part of it, part of that moment."

Paul Sampson concluded "It's a real honour to show Dave's work here in Wales for the first time at Oriel Colwyn, which is rapidly becoming the place to see quality photography and visual arts in North Wales."

Dave Brown said: "Having just put this exhibition together, it's fantastic to be showing it at Oriel Colwyn. We had some of our best gigs in Wales so it's great to bring a few memories back to the crazy Welsh Boosh fans"



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## Note to Editors

Behind the Boosh – a collection of 46 photographs by Dave Brown of the Mighty Boosh to be exhibited from 01<sup>st</sup> September to 16<sup>th</sup> October 2012 at Oriol Colwyn, Theatr Colwyn, Abergele Road, Colwyn Bay, Conwy, North Wales. LL29 7RU.

Developed from 3 stage shows appearing at Edinburgh & Melbourne Comedy Festivals, The Boosh has since produced a 6 episode radio series, 3 television series (a total of 20 television episodes) for the BBC, which have aired worldwide and 2 sell out live tours of the UK, as well as performing exclusive live shows in the United States and Australia.

Oriol Colwyn is the new gallery space situated on the top floor of Theatr Colwyn. Theatr Colwyn is Wales oldest theatre and the UK's oldest operating cinema. Theatr Colwyn is a receiving theatre, seating 329 people and hosts a wide variety of performances ranging from dance and drama to rock music concerts and Welsh language shows. It has a thriving cinema audience who enjoy not only the latest blockbuster releases on the big screen, but also independent, classic and foreign language films. [www.theatrcolwyn.co.uk](http://www.theatrcolwyn.co.uk)

Oriol Colwyn is open most weekdays from 10am – 5pm and many evenings during theatre and cinema performances. Please telephone if traveling to the exhibition to confirm gallery openings (01492 577888)

The Giddy Goat Comedy Festival is now in its 2<sup>nd</sup> year. This charity event will once more be raising vital funds for St David's Hospice in Llandudno. Guests this year include: Phill Jupitus, Stephen K Amos, Marcus Brigstocke, David Sedaris, Arthur Smith and Andy Hamilton. More info at [www.giddygoat.org](http://www.giddygoat.org)

Limited edition prints from the exhibition signed by the artist, are available to order from [www.apeinc.co.uk](http://www.apeinc.co.uk)

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