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***All Aboard the Jazz Express!***

***A High-Spirited Jazz Adventure from Paris to Istanbul***

The Hot Jazz Vagabonds premiere a glamorous, mystery-infused cabaret aboard Europe's most stylish train

London's acclaimed ensemble **The Hot Jazz Vagabonds** return with a brand-new cabaret, ***All Aboard the Jazz Express!***, debuting on **Saturday 9 May at Toulouse Lautrec Jazz Club** before heading to the **Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2026** and touring to theatre venues in the autumn.

Step aboard the dining car of the world's most glamorous train, where The Hot Jazz Vagabonds transform the stage into a whirlwind of hot 1930s swing, smoky chanson and post-war jazz — underscored by a playful, Hercule Poirot-style hint of mystery.

As the train pauses at glittering stations along its legendary route, a cast of intriguing characters emerges, each bringing their own musical flavour — and a few surprises — to the journey. Blending cabaret, storytelling and live music, the show delivers a richly atmospheric, fast-moving ride through a Europe alive with rhythm, intrigue and mischief.

Starring singer and actress **Airlie Scott**, the production features The Hot Jazz Vagabonds: **Dave Ahmed** and **Andy Ruiz Palma** (guitars), **Alan Gibson** (double bass) and **Pete Watson** (accordion). Together, they bring virtuosic musicianship and theatrical flair to a seamless blend of 1930s jazz, European song and swinging post-war sounds.

The production follows the success of the five-star Edinburgh Fringe **hit *Paris in a Jazz Age – The Memoirs of Eloise DeFleur***, widely praised for its evocative storytelling and musical charm. In a ★★★★★ review, Get Your Coats On described it as:

*“a triumphal blend of music, theatre, comedy, and romance”*

and noted:

*“Scott’s audience interactions are lively and elegant, her voice strong yet supple... The band are simply magnifique. Not a note out of place, not a beat missed, every swing a sensation.”*

With ***All Aboard the Jazz Express!***, the company expands its signature style into a bold new setting—swapping a Parisian café for an Orient Express-style dining car, and weaving together continental influences with a light-touch sense of humour, mystery and fun.

Set within the intimate, immersive cabaret-style surroundings of Toulouse Lautrec Jazz Club, the show offers London audiences a rare opportunity to experience this new production up close before it travels north.

Rich in atmosphere, storytelling and irresistible rhythm, *All Aboard the Jazz Express!* is a high-spirited musical adventure—perfect for jazz lovers, theatre-goers and curious travellers alike.

Following its London preview on 9 May, the production will travel to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2026, alongside the return of *Paris in a Jazz Age – The Memoirs of Eloise DeFleur*.

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## LISTINGS INFORMATION

**Title:** *All Aboard the Jazz Express!*

**Company:** The Hot Jazz Vagabonds

**Date:** Saturday 9 May 2026

**Times:** 7:00pm & 9:30pm (1 hour)

**Venue:** Toulouse Lautrec Jazz Club

**Edinburgh Festival Fringe:** Summer 2026

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## NOTES TO EDITORS

- The Hot Jazz Vagabonds are a London-based ensemble specialising in vintage jazz, chanson, swing and theatrical performance.
- Led by Airlie Scott, the company blends live music with storytelling and immersive cabaret.
- Their previous show, *Paris in a Jazz Age – The Memoirs of Eloise DeFleur*, received five-star reviews at the Edinburgh Fringe and continues to tour.

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