



JOHANNES RADEBE

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About Johannes

Born and talent-nurtured in Zamdela Sasolburg, Johannes Radebe started dancing at the tender age of 7, fascinated by the discipline and the glamour of Ballroom and Latin.

Over the next 13 years, Johannes competed in local competitions working himself up the Latin ranks, with top honours, eventually adding ballroom and different dance styles like African Contemporary and Jazz to provincial colours for Gauteng, being a finalist at national dance competitions and getting an invitation to compete internationally in St Petersburg, Russia.

At the age of 21, Johannes left the shores of South Africa to work on the internationally renowned Italian cruise liner "Costa". Travelling the world and doing what he loved opened up a whole new perspective on what life could hold for him. Persistence and experience saw this young, vibrant South African given more responsibilities including choreographing, teaching new dancers and then eventually being promoted to Dance Captain.



After an exhilarating 2 years of travelling the world and showcasing South African talent at its best, Johannes desired to return home. When the offer came to join the 2018 debut season of the international hit show "Dancing With The Stars" in South Africa, it was an opportunity he simply could not refuse. The debut season of Dancing With The Stars was a massive success and once again threw Johannes into the international spotlight.

He was head-hunted by "Strictly Come Dancing" in the UK and moved to London to dance on the flagship BBC show. From the first series, the audience loved him and on his second series he was lucky enough to be partnered with Catherine Tyldesley and also dance the first same-sex routine with fellow Strictly star Graziano Di Prima. His Red Carpet Routine in heels sent the nation crazy.

The following season, he danced with Caroline Quentin and reached Week 7 in a shorter BAFTA nominated season. In 2021, he was partnered with John Whaite and the nation took them to their hearts- reaching the final in this groundbreaking same sex partnership.

Johannes and John won Media Moment of the Year for their stunning series at the LGBT Awards as well as the Attitude Game Changer Award. Johannes won "Inspirational Public Figure" in the Ethnicity Awards.



Johannes has quickly become a fan favourite and with his debut tour “Freedom” selling out last year. Due to incredible demand, he’ll be returning to theatres this year with “Freedom Unleashed” which is already on the way to selling out in many venues.

Bristol Hippodrome have never taken a Strictly Come Dancing solo tour until Johannes and now they’ve even asked for extra shows!

He is an ambassador for The Duke of Edinburgh awards scheme and did the keynote speech at Buckingham Palace in Summer. Johannes’ mum came from South Africa to see him- it was the first time she had flown and left the country and she was sat at Buckingham Palace!

After touring the UK with “Freedom Unleashed” next year, Johannes plans to take his show home to his roots in South Africa.

Johannes also has his autobiography “Finally Home” out in 2023.

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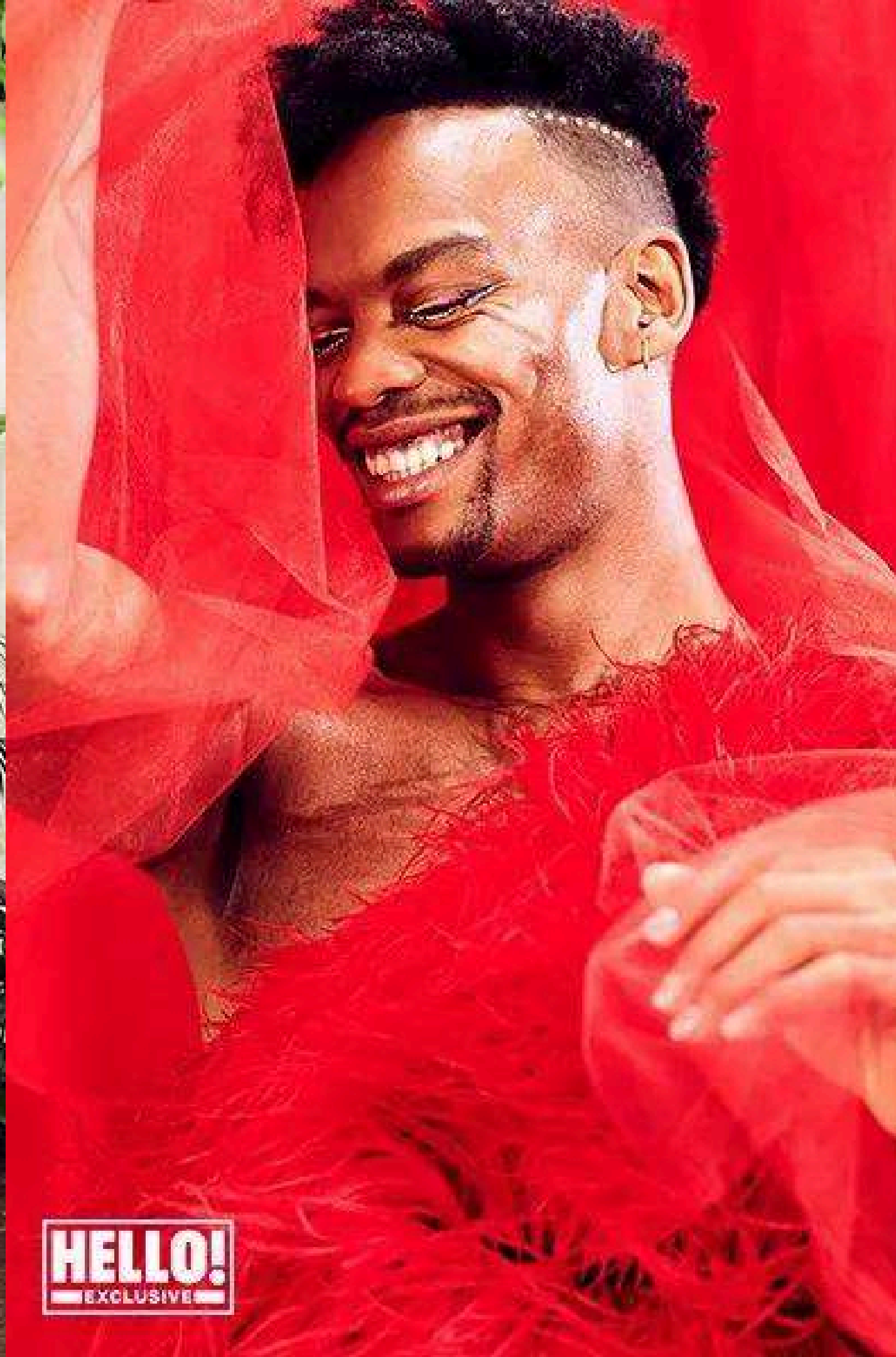
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Strictly Come Dancing Fans Rejoice As John Whaite And Johannes Radebe Become Show's First All-Male Pairing

"Representation matters so much," one viewer wrote on Twitter.

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Strictly fans blown away as John and Johannes perform groundbreaking first dance





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BBC Strictly Come Dancing fans floored as Johannes Radebe announces show first on It Takes Two

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Strictly star Ellie Taylor pays tribute to Johannes Radebe after 'wild ride' on show

"Thank you, Jojo for the some of the most special months of my life."





Strictly star Johannes Radebe gives powerful speech at DofE awards at Buckingham Palace: 'Dream huge'

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Johannes Radebe reveals what his mother has taught him as she visits him for first time in UK

The Strictly star credits Jacobeth with keeping him humble

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Strictly stars John Whaite and Johannes Radebe on the 'impact' of their partnership

They're going from strength to strength!

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John Whaite and Johannes Radebe's Strictly impact is still being felt

Attitude's Gamechanger Award winners waltzed into Strictly history when they became the first male partnership on the BBC's hit show.

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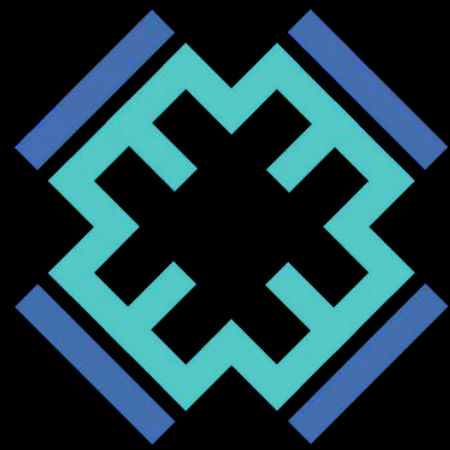
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John & Johannes take home the Levi's Media Moment ti...

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Strictly's Johannes Radebe shares glimpse at his suave tuxedo as he attends King Charles' first State Banquet at Buckingham Palace



*The Lord Chamberlain
has received His Majesty's command to invite*

Mr. Johannes Radebe
*to a State Banquet to be given at Buckingham Palace by
The King and The Queen Consort
in honour of The President of the Republic of South Africa
and Dr. Tshepo Motsepe
on Tuesday, 22nd November, 2022 at 8.30 p.m.*

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Alexandra Burke stands out in a figure-hugging red maxi dress as she joins Strictly's Johannes Radebe at the Pretty Red Dress premiere during the London Film Festival

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STRICTLY SPIDER-MAN Andrew Garfield says he'll do Strictly if he wins an Oscar – and will partner with Johannes

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A full-page photograph of Johannes Radebe, a Black man with a short beard and mustache, wearing a white t-shirt and blue jeans. He is sitting on a blue velvet ottoman with gold-colored legs, looking directly at the camera. The background is a solid dark grey.

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INTERVIEW

Johannes Radebe: 'I don't want to go back to my old township'

This year's Strictly kicks off on September 23 and its most popular dancer, Johannes Radebe, will be centre stage. So how did a boy from South Africa escape poverty and prejudice to become a primetime star?

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A full-body photograph of Johannes Radebe in traditional Zulu regalia. He is wearing a feathered headdress, a beaded necklace, and a beaded skirt. He is holding a long, thin staff in his right hand and has his left arm raised. The background is a light, sandy color with a rainbow light effect behind him.

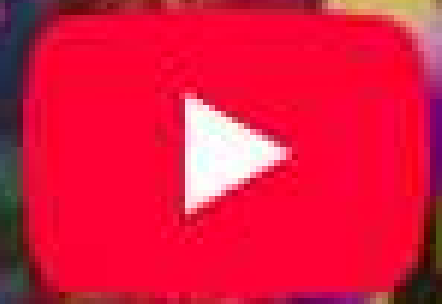
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Johannes Radebe: Freedom review – Strictly star leaves it all on the floor

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Strictly's Johannes Radebe stuns fans in sizzling, sold-out tour at The Alexandra in Birmingham

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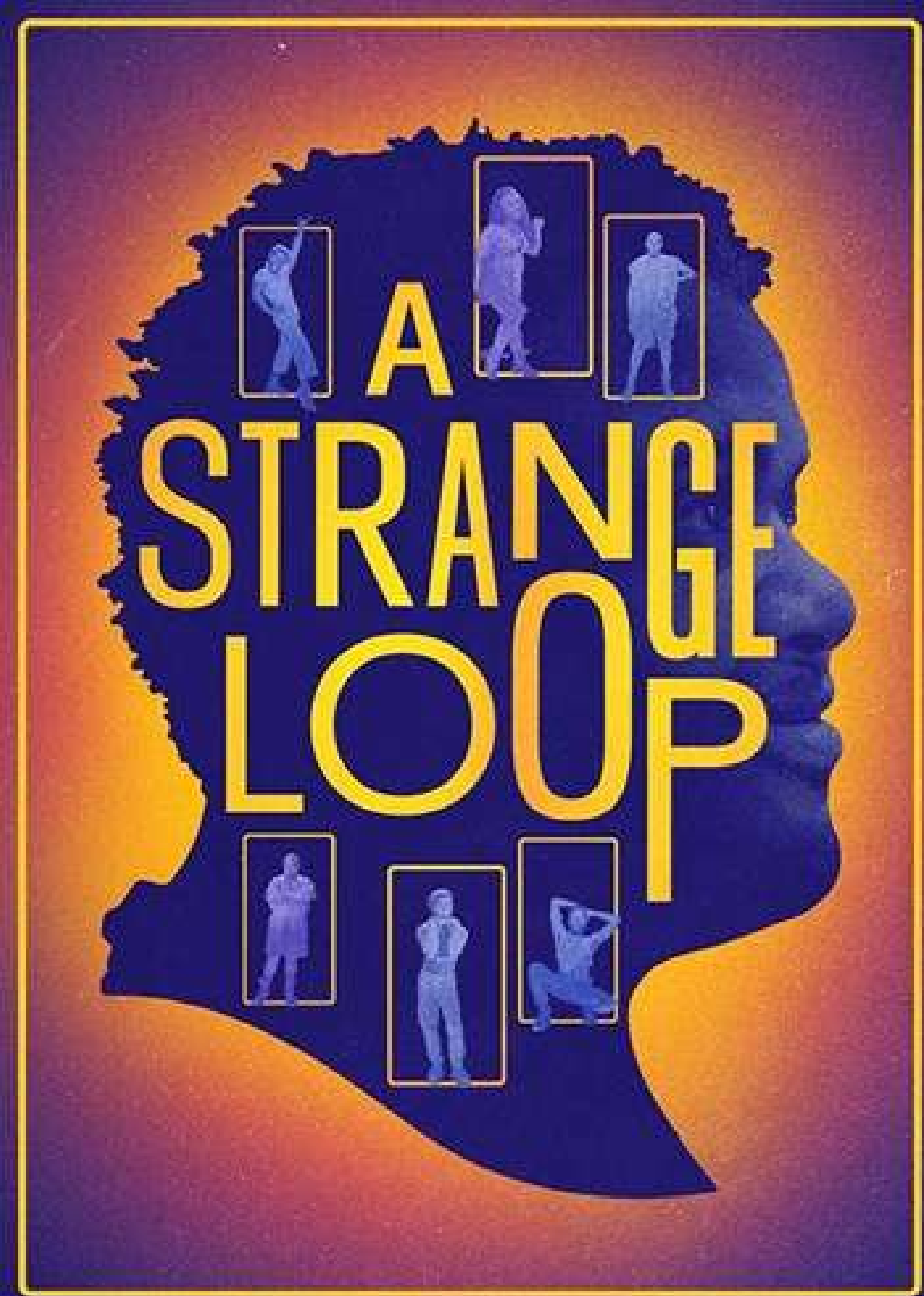
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Johannes Radebe: Freedom Unleashed review – Strictly favourite steps up the sass

Strictly's Johannes Radebe ready to bring Freedom Unleashed show to Belfast and party with the Irish



JOHANNES RADEBE JOINS THE PRODUCING TEAM OF 'A STRANGE LOOP' IN THE WEST END



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