

TNUC 2025 - Sunday - Nathan Foad Solo Panel

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Q: Do you have a favorite con memory with Kristian?

A: I don't know who that is... My angel baby boy. Love him so much. It can't be overstated how much he meant to me, especially on the first season of the show.



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Nathan: I love doing conventions with Kristian because he's an old pro. The best part is that me and him are two bitchy old ladies sat in the corner drinking gin. It's always fun to perv on the boys with him. It's nice to have someone to appreciate the view with.



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Q: favorite breakfast item?

Nathan: Hashbrowns. I'm trying to eat better so maybe something proteiny because that's something we're supposed to care about. It's so annoying. I eat eggs every single morning and then someone recently was like what about your cholesterol? I'M TRYING TO BE GOOD.



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Nathan: I've always wanted a pet rat and people find that quite strange. Not you freaks, but people generally.



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Q: Would you say your rampant ageism is due to your own fears of becoming another middle-aged sad sack dying in a puddle of his own piss?



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Nathan: What I like about Taika is that he's pure chaos. When you get to do a 1:1 scene with him, he'll really lock in and do the scene with you.



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Q: What was your favorite episode to film?

Nathan: In S1, I really liked the episode that establishes mine and Matt relationship. In S2, I liked filming on the beach in AONZ. I loved filming my comeback episode. I knew people were anticipating it and I really loved reuniting with Matt.



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Q: Would you consider writing your own autobiography and what would you name it?

Nathan: The thing that made Kristian's book so good is that Kristian has lived such a life. I can't stress this enough - I am so boring. I'd be interested in writing essays or comedy short stories.



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Nathan: I've always wanted to write a one-man show called "Nathan Foad: Most Likely To Be Famous."



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Q: When is your next stage appearance and what would your ideal role be?

Nathan: I loved it. It's one of the most gratifying experiences I've ever had in my career. I don't have any stage work coming up but I'd love to do a musical - like a good comedy musical.

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Nathan: My favorite musical is the 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee. I'm begging my theater director friends to put a production on and cast me. I've always said in 10 years time, I want to play Trunchbull in Matilda.



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Nathan: I'd love to do a play at the National. My absolute dream is there's a playwright called Tom Wells - he's my favorite playwright.



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Q: Your acting roles fall into ensemble / guest roles. Do you see a leading man role in yourself?

Nathan: Yes, I've written myself as the lead in things but I've written myself as a bizarre leading man. I could see myself as a leading man that I would write.



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Q: S1 Lucius - really fun, makes jokes about everything. S2 Lucius - really traumatized, makes jokes about everything. How did your approach the change?

NF: I was really grateful for that change.



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Nathan: Lucius isn't just one thing. I would have happily kept being the "sassy scribe" but then I was forced not to which was a cool challenge. Me and David chatted about the difference in the seasons and I made sure I was really clear for myself about what happened to Lucius between the seasons.



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Nathan: The way we approached it in the show is fun because it's so camp and heightened. Traumatized Lucius is like he's trying to act traumatized. He was leaning into being a troubled problem child. I still approached it as a comedy - I wanted it to be funny.



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Nathan: I wanted it to have that veneer of comedy. It was about making sure I really knew what happened to Lucius but also he has a tendency to over exaggerate. There's a part of him that was loving the drama.



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Q: In S2, one of my fave things is when Izzy calls Lucius twatty. Was that meant affectionately?

NF: Yes, they think of each other as gnats but they're stuck together so they either keep waging war or start getting on. I'm going to stop there because if I keep talking about these two together...



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Q: When you push Blackbeard off the ship, and then you go "YEAH BITCH" was that a direct reference to Breaking Bad?

NF: I'm gay so I've never seen Breaking Bad.



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Nathan wants to do Taskmaster!!



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Q: We all find Lucius and Pete's relationship so sweet. Did you ever talk with Matt or David about what you saw for them in the future?

NF: I always thought that they'd tried to get out of the game. I think it would be a little bit like the plot of The Incredibles. I think it would have that shape.



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Q: You have a great comedic, heartwarming writing style which really shines in Newark, Newark. Would you consider writing drama?

Nathan: I'm writing on an Apple / A24 show at the moment. It has a comedic underlay to the whole thing but it's more of a drama.



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Nathan: I was really nervous going into it - it's such a departure for me. I've never written for a streamer before and I'm enjoying it! Would I ever write a full-on drama? I don't know that I could.



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Nathan: I could write a funny drama but I do think writing good comedy is harder. I would like to try my hand at a funny drama someday.