

Danny Beard is one of the UK's best-known drag performers and presenters, known for their quick wit, powerhouse vocals and commanding stage presence. After making a name for themselves on the cabaret and club circuit, Danny shot to national prominence by winning the fourth series of RuPaul's Drag Race UK, becoming the first bearded queen in the franchise's history to take the crown.

Since then, Danny has built a career across television, radio, podcasting and live performance. They hosted BBC Three's *The After Shave* with Danny Beard, appeared on shows including *Hollyoaks*, *Big Brother: Late & Live* and *The Traitors: Uncloaked*, and fronted their own show on BBC Radio 1. In 2025, Danny reached an even wider audience as runner-up on *Celebrity Big Brother*, winning viewers over with their warmth, humour and authenticity while appearing out of drag throughout the series.

Alongside their television work, Danny remains a hugely popular live performer. Their acclaimed solo show *Straight Expectations* earned multiple five-star reviews at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, while their performance in the Wolverhampton Grand Theatre pantomime earned a Best Villain nomination at the UK Pantomime Awards, with the production itself being named Best Pantomime in the UK.

On stage, Danny started off 2026 by completing the UK tour of *The Lightning Thief* as Mr D, the god of wine and drama. He has been announced as starring in the new show *SAVAGE*, playing none other than Lily Savage herself. The show will tour the UK in early 2027, before heading to London's West End later in the year.