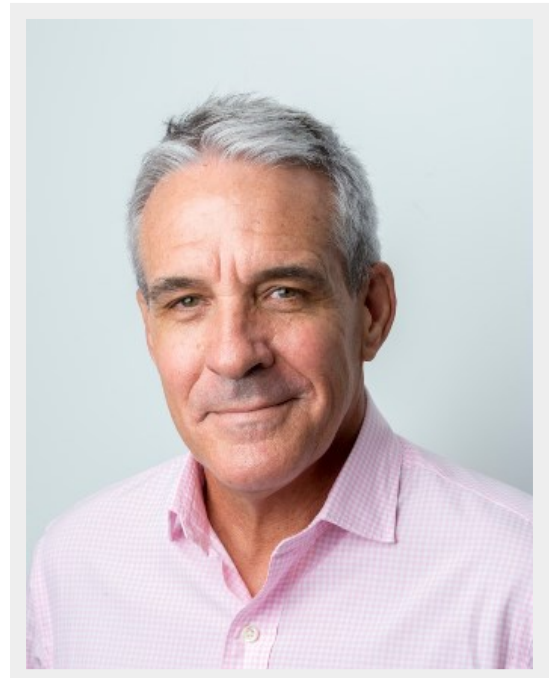


Steve Haddan

MC, Comedian, Impersonator

Steve Haddan has built a reputation for excellence across the widest range of skills and disciplines. As a comedian he has forged enduring relationships with the movers and shakers of corporate Australia who've acknowledged Steve as the go-to man when the job has to be done, with class. His 20-year stint as an on-air presenter and sports journalist with the Nine Network was an accomplishment of which he is immensely proud, so too his achievements as a best-selling author and award-winning radio host.

Steve is a creative thinker, proactive, a team player who with dedication and empathy has forged a richly textured and eclectic career.



Toowoomba born and bred, after completing studies in journalism, drama and Australian History at the University of Queensland in 1980, Steve spent two years as a professional actor, starring in major productions with the La Boite and Queensland Theatre Companies. In 2003, Steve shared the stage with fellow alumni from the RQTC, Oscar winner Geoffrey Rush, at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre, giving a show stopping performance as his alter ego "Molly" Meldrum at a gala tribute to commemorate the career of the company's long serving Artistic Director, the late Alan Edwards.

After his stint with the RQTC, Steve embarked on a four-year career with Xerox, becoming one of the company's top salesmen. In 1985 he won the American Chamber of Commerce Xerox Australian Salesman of the Year Award. At the same time he was moonlighting as a stand-up comic. In 1985, in a series of show-stopping appearances on Network Ten's hugely popular variety show "Star Search", an earlier incarnation of the "Australian Idol" concept, Steve cloned an uncanny impression of rock guru, "Molly" Meldrum and achieved national stardom. A run of appearances on Nine's "Hey it's Saturday" and Seven's "Celebrity Family Feud" saw him take his amazing talents as a comic impressionist to the next level. Steve immediately became one of the country's most sought after corporate performers, engaged by the most demanding blue chip entities.

In a two-year stint as a comedy writer and on-air performer with FM 104, then boasting the largest per capita audience in Australian radio, he landed the Australian Federation of Radio Broadcasters "Raward" for the Best New Talent on Australian metropolitan radio in 1989.

In 1990 he authored and self-published "The Power's Bitter History of the New South Wales Rugby League Finals" - the first ever history of what is now the National Rugby League. It was a runaway best seller. Another two editions followed with over 17,000 books sold. During the NRL's centenary year in 2008, Steve produced a third edition "The Finals: 100 years of National Rugby League Finals", again a huge success.

In 1992 he joined the Nine Network, hosting the morning variety show "In Brisbane Today" with Fiona McDonald. It was the beginning of a formidable career lasting from 1993 to 2010 where he worked as a sports presenter and journalist with Nine News. In 2010, Steve developed a breakthrough workplace education programme - the Head Heart & Body Master Class - which in its first year trained over 1200 staff at QR National, the Nine Network, Lend Lease and ANZ Private. In January 2012, 18 months after finishing at Nine, he was asked by the Managing Director Ms Kylie Blucher to return to the station and deliver his ground-breaking Master Class to all 120 full-time staff. It was the first blanket training the station had undertaken since 1993.

In 2016, Steve completed the first ever history of the Brisbane Rugby League, "Our Game: The Celebration of Rugby League 1909-1987". The book was a triumph inspiring renewed interest in a seemingly lost corner of the game. Four years later, came his most popular book, "Wally Lewis: My Life". In partnership with The King, Steve told the incredible story of the world's most popular Queenslander, with access to the Lewis families' breathtaking personal archive of records and photographs.

Steve's book, "The Greatest Game: The National Rugby League 1908 - 2023", is the most comprehensive history of the competition ever undertaken.

Meantime Steve's bookings as a comedian, after-dinner speaker and master of ceremonies continue to build. His clients all demand, and receive, the very best in quality entertainment.

Steve's strengths are simple: he's good, he's funny, he shows up and he gets the job done. His attention to detail and love of his work are indisputable - he knows the business and is dedicated to establishing long-term relationships with his clients.

There is not a major corporation in Australia which hasn't at one time utilised the services of this impressive performer. If it has to work, Steve Haddan is your man.

Client testimonials

“ You pitched it perfectly for the audience and obviously this is something that you work hard on achieving...great performance...you obviously went to a huge effort with 'Clive'. Molly was spot on and Stefan was 'fantastic'. Everyone had a laugh...very entertaining. I'll certainly be recommending you to my colleagues. I must admit that I've always been a fan. You are a man of many talents.

- QLD Gastroenterologists Conference

“ Thanks you for the very humorous and entertaining ‘this is your life ‘ you prepared and presented at my 60th birthday party last week. It was most definitely the highlight of the night and set the fun tone we wanted to achieve. It has been gratifying to us and should be to you that so many of our guests have expressed exactly that sentiment. Thank you for a job very well done.

- Leigh Matthews, AFL Player of the Century, 60th Birthday

“ I don’t believe we could have asked for anyone better. It was wonderful having you here and it certainly made the night.

- Easter on the McIntyre

“ You have a special gift with what you do, and it definitely makes a difference to so many people. When you have the ability to move people - from laughing to crying and back again - it gets people to think about their lives in a better way! Keep up the awesome work!

- Brisbane Entrepreneur’s Organisation

“ How incredibly happy we have been with your ongoing role as an entertainer at our corporate events, and especially your most recent performance. Since the company's launch party in 2002, you have performed for us on many occasions and we have developed a great relationship with you.

- Place Estate Agents

“ Your Master Class offered insightful and meaningful real-life experiences that will provide staff with the tools they need to work through any internal and external changes they may encounter in the future. The seminars have made the team more resilient, value teamwork, manage conflict and recognise the importance of self-care. The overall feedback has been outstanding. Thank you so much for your contribution to our organisation.

- QLD Nine

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