

James Smith

Stand Up Comedian

James Smith is an internationally successful, Australian stand-up comedian, who regularly performs in New York alongside greats such as Chris Rock, Louis CK, and Jerry Seinfeld.

He has appeared on numerous American TV shows, among them Comedy Central, ABC, TBS and HBO's *Flight Of The Conchords*. He has appeared on *Conan with Conan O'Brien*, been featured in Time Magazine and has given a TED talk. In Australia, James has appeared on all our major television networks and on programs such as *Rove Live*, *The Footy Show*, *The Fat* and The Comedy Channel's *Headliners*.

A banking and finance lawyer by profession, James Smith is also an exceptional corporate performer. His ability to write client specific material is outstanding and he has appeared as a host, guest speaker and comedian for numerous clients.

More about James Smith:

James Smith began performing comedy and public speaking while at Law School. In 1995, he was selected to debate in the World Debating Championships at Princeton University, USA and again in 1996, at UCC, Ireland. In 1995, he won The Australasian Public Speaking Competition at Parliament House, Melbourne.

While practicing law, James decided to trade the courtroom for the stage and became a professional comedian. His success was meteoric. Within two months of his debut he progressed to the national final of the Comic of the Year at the Sydney Comedy Festival.

In 2001 James Smith won Star Quest which is the most prestigious quest of its kind in Australia. As a writer, James won the Triple M parody song writing competition and subsequently became a permanent writer/performer at radio station Triple M, part of the national Austereo Network.

In 2002 James Smith performed his live show *Will the Real James Smith Please Stand Up?* at the Melbourne Town Hall, in the world-renowned Melbourne International Comedy Festival, where the best international comedians perform. This year he returned with his new show *Sex and the Smitty*, which enjoyed excellent reviews.

Now based in New York, James has performed at the New York Comedy Festival, the legendary



Radio City Music Hall, and regularly performs at the world-famous Comedy Cellar.

James Smith also performs in the UK, Singapore and Malaysia. In Australia, he appears at all the major comedy clubs and theatres.

Client testimonials

“ Effortlessly makes you laugh.

- *The Age, Melbourne*

“ James is a methodical, furiously intelligent thinker.

- *Revolver*

“ A winning joker.

- *The Daily Telegraph*

“ Clever...very funny.

- *Drum Media*

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