

DAVID QUIRK



Melbourne-based stand-up comedian and actor David Quirk is a regular presence on the Australian and international comedy circuit.

David had great success in 2013 with his stand-out show *Shaking Hands With Danger* which took out the coveted peer voted award for best show – The Piece of Wood Award. The show also ran successful seasons in both London and Edinburgh. His follow up, *Career, Suicide* in 2014, also garnered great reviews and has consolidated David's place as one of our most interesting, honest and challenging standups.

In 2015 David premiered his eagerly awaited show *Skater Dater* at Melbourne Comedy Festival – a show set in the actual skateboard shop where he has worked for most of his adult life. He followed this up with *Approaching Perfection* in 2016, touring the country with his newest show, described in his own words as 'a thorough collection of the finest ideas and material I could muster'.

In addition to his numerous successful solo shows, David has co-created and performed in two award-winning collaborations: *The Incident*, a bromantic comedy with Sam Simmons, for which he won the Golden Gibbo Award at Melbourne Comedy Festival in 2010. He went on to win the Innovation in Theatre Award at Melbourne Fringe Festival in 2011 for *Bunny*, written by Benjamin Cittadini and performed with Craig Peade. David also starred with Sam Simmons in the ABC TV series *Problems*, appeared in ABC1's *Sammy J & Randy in Ricketts Lane*, and as Josh Thomas' love interest on *Please Like Me*.

For those who like their comedy so dark it's burnt, Quirk's material travels between the profane and profound, often finding comedy in our darkest moments.



REVIEWS

'A triumphant show' ★★★★★ *Chortle*

'An intelligent hour of comedy that's both funny and philosophical, full of uncomfortable truths, black humour, and brutal honesty.' ★★★★★ *The Age*

'Witty, intelligent... The jokes may be wry, but the huge grins in the audience are not.' ★★★★★ *Arts Hub*

'This show has enough darkness to enjoy from start to finish.'
★★★★★ *Rip It Up*

AWARDS & NOMINATIONS

WINNER Moosehead Award 2015

WINNER Piece of Wood Award - Melbourne Comedy Festival 2013

NOMINEE Best of the Fest - Sydney Comedy Festival 2013

WINNER Innovation in Theatre Award - Melbourne Fringe 2011

WINNER Golden Gibbo Award - Melbourne Comedy Festival 2010

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