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David Merry



David's background in entertainment started as the lead role in a grade four production of "**Bartholomew and the Obleck**" at Bedford Park School in Toronto. His next step was behind the scenes as stagehand in a grade eight play at Crescent School. He developed a great interest in magic at the age of thirteen and performed his first magic show at a family friend's birthday on April fools day 1976. He got a lot more serious about entertainment and was bitten by the bug after starting Drama classes while attending high school at Lawrence Park Collegiate. After high school David started with the Second City workshops and soon tried his hand at stand up comedy on amateur night at the local comedy club. After "killing" on his third night he has never looked back. He has since performed over 5900 shows in twelve different time zones and been on over 70 TV shows

Biography

David was the host of Global TV's hit sports trivia game show "**Game On**". The second season is still in reruns which can be seen nationally in Canada on CTV's Sportsnet (check local listings).

David was also the host of Global TV's "**Get a Grip on Golf**", a golf show that was seen coast to coast in Canada, on Sunday afternoons. David has made appearances on "**SCTV**", "**BIZARRE**" and "**An Evening at the Improv**". He has also been seen on "**Open Mike with Mike Bullard**" (3 appearances), CBC's "**Halifax Comedy Festival**", 4 episodes of "**Comedy at Club 54**" including their 7th Anniversary Special, "**Yuk Yuk's the TV Show**", "**Fins and Skins**", "**Cooking with Comics**", "**Comedy College**", and "**Komedy Kitchen**". David has been a guest on such discussion shows as, TSN'S "**Off the Record**", "**The John Oakley Show**" and Prime TV's "**Grumps**", and was one of the only novelty acts given his own his own half-hour comedy special of the hugely successful CBC TV series "**Comics!**".

He is a past recipient of Canada's "**Club Comic of the Year**" Award, and his show "**DON'T PANIC REMAIN.COM**" was nominated at the Canadian Comedy Awards in the category **BEST ONE MAN SHOW**

Theater is David's true love, playing many of Canada's premiere stages. They include "Night of 100 Stars" with **Michael Burgess and Maureen Forrester** at the Ford Center for the Performing Arts, The Blythe Festival Theater and The Stratford Festival Theater. His recent concert appearances include appearing at Roy Thomson Hall opening for

Englebert Humperdinck.

He has also opened for such stars as
Jerry Seinfeld (Superstars), Kris Kristofferson (Stages), Howie Mandel (Okeefe Center),

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