



RACHEL BERGER

"She could make the Sphinx crack a smile." **The Sun Herald, Sydney**

"She is one of the sharpest comedians of either gender or hemisphere" **The List, Scotland**

"It is the offbeat observation, the incisive knack of showing up everyday events for the ludicrous pantomimes they really are that separate the women from the girls ... In this department Rachel Berger is a real Star..."

The Guardian, London

Rachel Berger is a stimulated-by-the-fear-of-failure sort of woman, which is why she's one of Australia's most highly regarded comedic talents, working variously as a comedian, broadcaster, novelist, columnist, agitator and television entertainer.

Rachel has been prowling the stand-up circuit like a tigress for 21 years. She's taken four solo shows to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and her dynamic presence and engagingly sharp observations have made her an extremely popular performer both live and on television, across Australia and overseas. Her debut novel for Penguin, *Whaddya Mean You're Allergic To Rubber?* was an immediate hit.

Whether it's performing a sell-out one woman show in Australia or overseas, appearing on television or radio, writing regular newspaper columns or publishing her best selling novel, Rachel's "take no prisoners" attitude has had audiences laughing since she first started out on the comedy circuit in 1986. Rachel is now regarded as one of the country's most diverse comedians.

Rachel believes that laughter is a powerful tool able to communicate a powerful message. With this in mind she's been invited to appear at events as diverse as hosting a public forum on *Climate Change* with world-leading Climate Change expert Stephen Schneider, to writing and performing in

Diversity Works, an educational video for the Council for Equal Opportunity in Employment and as a special guest performer at a Positive Living Expo for Women with the overall aim to reduce the harm associated with gambling.

With her unique ability to connect with an audience, Rachel is also a superb corporate speaker and MC. According to **Andrea Jones, the Editor of Home Beautiful magazine**, *“Rachel’s presentation was funny and, especially important, it was relevant. We have been inundated with compliments on the success of these awards and it is true to say that Rachel’s performance made us, the client, look good.”*

And the organising committee for the **Australian Market and Social Research Society Conference**, **had this to say**, *“We especially loved the way you thoroughly researched our industry before the night, and wove your understanding and insights into the performance. It was a rousing, hilarious and highly relevant kick start to our conference.”*

Corporate clients include:

- **Yarra Valley Water.**
- **Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development.**
- **TOGA Hospitality**
- **BMW Australia**

Rachel’s media credits include:

- **Appearing on Rove-Live, The Glass House, GMA, Good News Week, World Series Debating, Tonite Live, The Big Gig, The Midday Show, Hey Hey It’s Saturday and Denton**
- **Co-hosting Comic Relief**, a live to air special on the Nine Network
- **Featuring on Punchlines**, a documentary about twenty years of Australian comedy and **The Smallest Room in the House**, ABC-TV
- **Regular presenter on ABC Radio 774**
- **Writing for The Age, Sunday Age, Sunday Herald Sun** as well as national magazines such as **New Woman** and **Rolling Stone**.

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