

Frank Woodley

Comedian / Professional Show Off

Frank Woodley is built from funny – it's in his bones. Whether he's being a comedian, clown, actor or acrobat, he is constantly creating characters and worlds to engage audiences of all ages. He is Australia's most-loved professional show-off, and his special brand of nonsense-genius has seen him create numerous stage shows – *Possessed*, *Inside*, and *Extra Ordinary*, amongst others – as well as his own ABC TV series, *Woodley*.

Since emerging from the Perrier Award-winning duo Lano and Woodley in 2006, Frank has toured around Australia and every major comedy festival. He also starred against type as the Dog Catcher in family film *Oddball*, stretched his musical legs in his collaboration with Harvest Rain (playing Sir Robin in Monty Python's *Spamalot* at QPAC) and as the Inspector in *Lemony Snicket's The Composer Is Dead* at the Sydney Opera House, the Melbourne Recital Centre, and the Adelaide Cabaret Festival. In 2019 he starred as Sir Andrew Aguecheek in the Melbourne Theatre Company's acclaimed production of *Twelfth Night*.

Frank has recently performed his children's show *Noodlenut* around Australia, including a season at the Sydney Opera House, and written three hilarious books for kids about a girl detective called *Kizmet*.

Frank has also been a regular guest on numerous Australian television shows including ABC's music quiz show *Spicks and Specks*, Network TEN's *Good News Week* and was an audience favourite on *Thank God You're Here*.

After reuniting with Colin Lane as part of the Melbourne Comedy Festival's 30th Birthday Bash at the Regent Theatre in 2016, for a surprise performance that brought the house down. It naturally led to a serious "Waddya reckon?" chat. "Waddya reckon?" soon turned into "Yeah, why not?" and Lano & Woodley returned to the stage in an all-new show *FLY*, which won the 2018 Melbourne Comedy Festival People's Choice Award and sold out theatres around the country. *FLY* was recorded by Amazon Prime in 2019 and premiered on the Prime Video service in 2020.

Frank also appears in Amazon Prime's latest smash hit **Last One Laughing Australia**. Hosted by Rebel Wilson, the show sees ten of Australia's top comedians in a psychological battle to see who can keep a straight face while simultaneously trying to make their opponents laugh.

"Five stars is simply not enough" - ★★★★★
The Advertiser, Adelaide

"you must leap out of your chair and sacrifice life and limb to buy a ticket" ★★★★★
Sunday Herald Sun, Melbourne

"one of our most naturally gifted comedians" ★★★★★
The Age, Melbourne

"Woodley has so cleverly matured into the most immature performer in Australian comic history"



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Courier Mail, Brisbane

"he is undoubtedly one of the best physical comics in Australia." ★★★★★
The Advertiser, South Australia

"Comedy doesn't come much better than this. Seriously."
The Herald Sun, Melbourne

"As universal as it is timeless" The Guardian, UK

"A unique brand of larrikin absurdity that is never less than clever and frequently brilliant." Sydney Morning Herald

"Irresistible comedy that will have you giggling like a little kid. "
The Sunday Mail, Adelaide

"Endlessly inventive mirth-making" The Herald, Scotland

Live Shows – Solo

- 2020 F*#@#KING CLOWN
Adelaide Fringe Festival
- 2017 I, Woodley
Brisbane Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival,
Wollongong, Sydney Comedy Festival, Fremantle Arts Festival
- 2016-17 Noodlenut (children's show)
Arts Centre Melbourne, Adelaide Fringe, Canberra Comedy
Festival, Wagga Wagga, Awesome Kids Festival, Lismore, Melbourne
International Comedy Festival 2017, Cairns, Sydney Opera House
- 2016 Extra Ordinary
Adelaide Fringe, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Canberra Comedy
Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney & Perth
Comedy Festivals
- 2014 Fool's Gold
Adelaide Fringe, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Brisbane
Powerhouse, Ten Days on the Island, Perth International Comedy
Festival, Darwin Festival.
- 2013 Inside – with Simon Yates
Sydney Festival, Adelaide Fringe, Melbourne Comedy Festival
- 2012 Bemusement Park
Adelaide Fringe, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Melbourne International
Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
- 2010 Bewilderbeest
Adelaide Fringe, Brisbane Comedy Festival,
Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2008 Possessed
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival,
Sydney Opera House, Brisbane Powerhouse, Regal Theatre - Perth,
Assembly Rooms (Music Hall) - Edinburgh Fringe.
- 2005, 2007 Frank Woodley Live
Sydney Comedy Store
- 2003 The Happy Dickwit
Melbourne International Comedy Festival

Writing

- 2015 Kizmet and the case of The Tassie Tiger (Author + Illustrator)
Published by Penguin Books
- 2015 Kizmet and the case of The Smashed Violin (Author + Illustrator)
Published by Penguin Books



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Other Notable Live Work

2018	<i>Twelfth Night</i> (Sir Andrew Aguecheek), Dir: Simon Phillips Melbourne Theatre Company
2015 - 16	<i>The Composer Is Dead!</i> By Lemony Snicket, Julia Holt/Melbourne Recital Centre, Riverside Parramatta & Sydney Opera House, Adelaide Cabaret Festival, Hamer Hall with Melbourne Symphony Orchestra.
2014	<i>Spamalot</i> (Sir Robin), Dir: Tim O'Connor, Harvest Rain/QPAC Brisbane.
2014	<i>The Composer Is Dead!</i> By Lemony Snicket, with the Sydney Youth Orchestra, Dir: Craig Illott, Sydney Opera House.
2013	<i>Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow</i> Hong Kong, Singapore
2009-10	<i>Optimism</i> – Directed by Michael Kantor. Malthouse Theatre, Melbourne, Edinburgh International Festival, Sydney Opera House, Sydney Festival
2007	<i>Complete Works of William Shakespeare</i> (abridged) Cremorne Theatre, QPAC - Brisbane, Regal Theatre

Television

2020	Amazon Prime	LOL: Last One Laughing (Contestant)
2014 - 20	Network Ten	The Project (Guest at the Desk)
2018	ABC TV	Spicks and Specks Reunion (Guest)
2018	ABC TV	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Opening Night Gala (Comedy Spot as Lano and Woodley)
2018	Network Ten	Show Me The Movie! (Guest)
2017	ABC TV	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Oxfam Gala (Comedy Spot)
2017	Network Ten	CRAM (Guest)
2014	Network Ten	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala (Stand Up)
2005-11, 2014	ABC TV	Spicks and Specks (Regular Guest)
2013	ABC TV	Tractor Monkeys (guest)
2013	ABC TV	Slideshow (guest)
2012	ABC TV	<i>Woodley</i> (Writer, Producer and Lead)
2011	ABC TV	<i>Judith Lucy's Spiritual Journey</i> (Interviewee)
2011	ABC TV	<i>Adam Hills in Gordon St Tonight</i> (Guest)
2010	Network TEN	<i>Talkin' Bout Your Generation</i>
2010, 2014	Network TEN	<i>MICF Gala</i> (Stand Up Appearance)
2008-10	Network TEN	<i>Good News Week</i> (Regular)
2009	Nine Network	<i>Hey Hey It's Saturday</i> <i>Reunion Special</i> (Guest)
2006-9	Network TEN	<i>Thank God You're Here</i> (Guest x 6)

Live Shows – Lano and Woodley

2018-19	<i>FLY</i> Canberra Theatre, Newcastle, Adelaide Fringe, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Theatre Royal Hobart, Regal Theatre Perth, Brisbane Powerhouse, Enmore Theatre Sydney, Chatswood Concourse Sydney, Hamer Hall Melbourne, Darwin, Cairns, Warragul, Bendigo, return season Adelaide Fringe 2019, Return
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- Season Melbourne International Comedy Festival 2019
Sydney Opera House, Mildura, Wollongong, Port Macquarie, Gold Coast, Wagga Wagga Comedy Festival, Malthouse Theatre
- 2006 *Lano & Woodley Good Bye* National Tour
- 2005 *Lano & Woodley Sing Songs*
Hi-Fi Bar - Melbourne, Brisbane Powerhouse, Octagon Theatre – Perth, Newtown - Sydney, Governor Hindmarsh - Adelaide, Sale – Victoria
- 2004 *The Island*
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Sydney Opera House 2005, Ten Days On The Island Festival 2005
- 2002 *Glitzy*
Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2001 *Bruiser*
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Victorian Regional Tour, Adelaide Cabaret Festival, Sydney Opera House 2002, Perth Comedy Festival 2002, Adelaide Fringe Festival 2002. Victorian and South Australian Regional Tour 2003
- 2000 *Slick*
Adelaide Fringe, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Victorian Suburban Tour
- 1999 *Lano & Woodley at The Continental*
Continental Café in Melbourne
- 1997 *Lano & Woodley Live*
Comedy Theatre - Melbourne, Seymour Centre - Sydney, His Majesty's Theatre – Perth
- 1995 *Curtains*
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Auckland Comedy Festival, Edinburgh Fringe Festival, Royal Festival Hall in London, Adelaide Fringe Festival 1996, Melbourne International Comedy Festival 1996, Wellington International Festival 1996, National Festival of Australian Theatre 1996
- 1993 *Fence*
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Festival of Sydney 1994, Adelaide Fringe Festival 1994, Melbourne International Comedy Festival 1994, Auckland Comedy Festival 1994, Edinburgh Fringe Festival 1994, British Festival of Visual Theatre 1994, Perrier Pick of the Fringe at the Lyric Theatre in London 1994, Cochrane Theatre in London 1994, Castlemaine Festival 1994, Athenaeum Theatre in Melbourne 1994, Sydney Opera House 1995, Festival of Perth 1995, National Festival of Australian Theatre 1996
- 1993 *The Last Laugh Christmas Show – Ensemble Show*
Last Laugh in Melbourne

Awards

- 2018 Winner Melbourne International Comedy Festival People's Choice Award for *Lano & Woodley – FLY*
- 2016 Winner Adelaide Fringe Weekly Award for Best Children's Show
- 2012 Nominated for AACTA Award for Best Performance in a Television Comedy
- 2009 Winner of Herald Angel Award for his role in Optimism while playing at The Edinburgh Arts Festival
- 2009 Nominee for AFI Award for Best Short Animation for *Chicken of God*
- 2006 Winner of Helpmann Award for Best Comedy for *Lano & Woodley Goodbye*
- 1994 Winner of Perrier Pick of the Fringe Award for Best Show for *Lano & Woodley in Fence* at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival

Corporate

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