

DILRUK JAYASINHA

COMEDIAN

Hailing from Sri Lanka, **Dilruk Jayasinha** relocated to Melbourne to attend university. Having completed a degree in accounting, he started working for one of the “Big Four.” However, after performing at an open mic night in 2010, that all changed...

In a bittersweet turn of events, Dilruk was unceremoniously fired from his accounting job at the same time his comedy career was taking shape. Just as Dil had, it turns out his managers had noticed that his heart lay elsewhere.

Dil is now one of the most in demand headliners on the Australian comedy scene, with a reputation for consistently nailing his shows. Dil has been invited to perform all over the country as well as internationally, and in 2017 he completely sold out his run at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival with his show *The Art of the Dil*. He also appeared at the Sydney Opera House that year as part of the Just for Laughs festival.

He returned to Australian festivals in 2018 with *Bundle of Joy*, culminating with his debut solo show at the Edinburgh Fringe which he followed with a run at Soho Theatre in London’s West End. He was also selected to perform at Just For Laughs Sydney.

Dilruk has recorded an hour long stand up special for the ABC, and is a regular on Network Ten’s *Have You Been Paying Attention?* He is also a regular actor on the third season of ABC TV’s award-winning *Utopia*, and team captain on quiz show *CRAM* for Network Ten.

These break out TV performances resulted in Dil receiving one of the highest accolades in Australian entertainment – the Graham Kennedy Award for Most Popular New Talent at the 2018 Logies.

2019 has been even bigger. Dil has reprised his role in the fourth season of ABC TV’s award winning *Utopia*, and also appeared in Network Ten series *My Life Is Murder*. He also toured his biggest and best stand up show to date, *Cheat Day(s)*, which has travelled around Australia and to Edinburgh Fringe. He was also invited to perform at the prestigious Just For Laughs Montreal.

In September 2019, Dil recorded a stand-up comedy special for worldwide release on streaming platform Amazon Prime – To be released in early 2020.

Dilruk is certainly making Australia his home.

"You'll be hard-pressed to find a more buoyant, joyful comedian" PEDESTRIAN

"Extremely endearing comedian who wears his heart on his sleeve" HERALD SUN

“a charming, funny comic with a likability that burns bright” CHORTLE

“one of the warmest and most endearing acts on the circuit” IN BATMANIA

“is one avowed Aussie that’s indisputably one to watch.” HERALD SUN

TELEVISION

2019	ABC TV	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Opening Night Gala (Comedy Spot)
2019	Network Ten	My Life is Murder (Acting)
2019	Channel Nine	20 to 1 (Contributor)
2019	Comedy Channel	JFL Stand Up Australia (Comedy Spot)
2019	Channel Nine	TV Week Logie Awards (Presenter)
2019	Fox Sports	Fox Sports Cricket Show (Guest)
2019	Fox Footy	Up The Guts (Guest)
2019	Fox Footy	The Beep Test (Guest)
2019	Foxtel	Thrones 360 (Guest)
2019	Network Ten	Celebrity Name Game (Guest)
2016-19	Network Ten	Have You Been Paying Attention? (Guest)
2017-19	ABC TV	Utopia (Acting – Character of Ashan)
2018	ABC TV	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Opening Night Gala (Comedy spot)
2018	Channel Nine	True Story with Hamish and Andy (Acting)
2018	Network Ten	Hughesy We Have A Problem (Guest)
2017	Channel Nine	True Story with Hamish and Andy (Acting)
2017	Network Ten	CRAM (Team Captain)
2017	Stan	Romper Stomper (Acting, role of MC)
2017	Network Ten	Comedians All Star Family Feud (Contestant)
2017	ABC TV	Comedy Up Late (Comedy Spot)
2017	SBS	Face Up To Racism (Guest Panellist)
2016	Comedy Channel	JFL Stand Up Series (Comedy Spot)
2015	ABC 1	Sammy J And Randy In Ricketts Lane (Acting – Character of Michael Jayasinha)
2015	C31	About Tonight (Guest Host)
2014	SBS2	Stand Up @ The Bella Union (Stand Up)
2013	ABC 1	It’s A Date (Acting)
2013	C31	Live On Bowen (Co-Host season 2 & season 3)

LIVE SHOWS

2019	Cheat Day(s) – Solo Show Perth Fringe World, Adelaide Fringe, Canberra Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival, Edinburgh Festival Fringe
2018	Bundle of Joy – Solo Show

Perth Fringe World, Adelaide Fringe, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Canberra Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival, Edinburgh Festival Fringe, Soho Theatre

- 2017 **The Art Of The Dil – Solo Show**
Perth Fringeworld, Canberra Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival, YACK Festival Sydney
- 2015-16 **Sri Wanka – Solo Show**
Melbourne Fringe Festival, Perth Fringeworld, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Comedy Store - Sydney
- 2015 **Immigrateful – Solo Show**
Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2014 **Dilruk Jayasinha is Kind Of A Big Dil – Solo Show**
Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2013 **RomCom – Two-man show**
Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2012 **RomCom – Two-man show**
Melbourne Fringe Festival
- 2012 **The Wrong People – Improv group performances**
Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2012 **Four-man show**
Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2011 **Four-man show**
Melbourne Fringe Festival

RADIO

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| 2018-19 | ABC Melbourne | ABC Melbourne Afternoons (Fill in host) |
| 2017-18 | Various | Regular guest on various radio stations across the country to promote his many television and live appearances |
| 2017 | Triple M Sydney | Merrickville – Drive with Merrick Watts (Regular Guest Co-Host) |
| 2010 | SYN FM | Dilconceived Notions (12 part series) |

AWARDS

- 2018 **WINNER**, Graham Kennedy Award for Most Popular New Talent, The 59th TV Week Logie Awards

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CORPORATE

Dilruk is a regular for corporate functions and has done appearances for companies such as the Hawthorn Football Club, Pitcher Partners, Emerge Festival for Multicultural Arts Victoria, and The Moree NSW Multicultural Festival.

OTHER NOTABLE WORK

Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow 2016 – 2018

Host – Canberra Comedy Festival Christmas Gala 2017

AFL North Melbourne Grand Final Breakfast 2017

Splendour In The Grass Comedy – 2015-16

Cricket Australia – Inside the Bash video package

Optus Sport online interview with Kumar Sanga

The Little Dum Dum Club Podcast, Regular

Rottofest, 2013 & 2015

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