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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 F*#@#!KING CLOWN 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*.

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

Frank is a regular guest on numerous Australian television shows including ABC’s *The Weekly with Charlie Pickering*, music quiz show *Spicks and Specks*, and was an audience favourite on Network TEN’s *Good News Week Thank God You’re Here*.

He also appeared in Amazon Prime’s 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. Spoiler alert – he bloody won.

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.

This year they performed to sell-out crowds at the Sydney Opera House in the aptly named *Lano and Woodley in: Lano and Woodley*.

"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"
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

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| 2017 | Kizmet and the case of The Pirate Treasure (Author + Illustrator) |
| 2015 | Kizmet and the case of The Tassie Tiger (Author + Illustrator) |
| 2015 | Kizmet and the case of The Smashed Violin (Author + Illustrator) Published by Penguin Books |

Other Notable Live Work

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| 2020 | <i>Plot Twist</i> – Podcast for Audible and MICF |
| 2020 | <i>The Stand Up Sessions</i> Recorded at Stupid Old Studios, for Victoria Together and MICF |
| 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 | Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged) Cremorne Theatre, QPAC - Brisbane, Regal Theatre |

Television

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| 2021 | ABC TV | The Weekly with Charlie Pickering (key writer & performer, Season 7) |
| 2020 | Feature Film | Combat Wombat (Voice of Flightless Feather) |
| 2020 | Amazon Prime | LOL: Last One Laughing (Winner) |
| 2018-20 | ABC TV | Spicks and Specks Reunion (Guest) |
| 2014 - 20 | Network Ten | The Project (Guest at the Desk) |
| 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) |
| 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

- 2021 *Lano and Woodley in: Lano and Woodley*
Melbourne Comedy Festival, Sydney Opera House, Malthouse
Summer Stage, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Brisbane Powerhouse,
Comedy Theatre Melbourne
- 2018-19 *FLY*
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
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

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| 2018 | Winner Melbourne International Comedy Festival People's Choice Award for <i>Lano & Woodley – FLY</i> |
| 2018 | Nominee Melbourne Comedy Festival Award for <i>Lano & Woodley – FLY</i> |
| 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 <i>Chicken of God</i> |
| 2006 | Winner of Helpmann Award for Best Comedy for <i>Lano & Woodley Goodbye</i> |
| 1994 | Winner of Perrier Pick of the Fringe Award for Best Show for <i>Lano & Woodley in Fence</i> at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival |

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