

# JOSH THOMAS

## STAND UP COMEDIAN, ACTOR, WRITER, PRODUCER

After making his mark as an award-winning and hugely-successful stand-up comedian and television panellist, **Josh Thomas** turned his hand to writing, acting and co-executive producing his own television show for ABC TV, inspired by his life and his comedy, called *Please Like Me*.

When Participant Media in the US chose to launch its brand-new Pivot television network with *Please Like Me* and to co-commission a second season with ABC TV, Josh was on his way to becoming an international success story.

He has been awarded by the Australian Academy (AACTA) and the Australian Writers Guild for his writing for *Please Like Me*, and has been nominated for AACTA and Logie Awards for his performances in the show. In addition, the show itself has won *Best Comedy* at the AACTA Awards, *Most Outstanding Comedy* at the Logie Awards and has been nominated as *Best Comedy* at the International Emmy Awards, Rose d'Or Awards and GLAAD Media Awards. The show has gained critical acclaim across the globe and has been named as one of the best TV shows of year by Entertainment Weekly, The New Yorker, Time, The A.V. Club and the Los Angeles Times.

Following on from the show's success in both Australia and the US, *Please Like Me* is now available worldwide, streaming Hulu in the US, Amazon Prime Video in the UK & Ireland, and Netflix in the rest of the world.

Josh is now based in Los Angeles where he has created and stars in *Everything's Gonna Be Okay*, available now on Stan. Josh is also returning to the stage with his new show *Whoopsie Daisy*, his first new stand-up show in six years.

### About Please Like Me...

"It's invigorating to watch a show this in control. Every episode has been laugh-out-loud funny and movingly honest - not just confessional or trenchant but true in ways that make you realize you've never seen that on TV before..." **AV Club**

".. delivers laughs, pathos and insight... The more this series unfolds, the better it gets... More please." **TV Tonight**

"..genuine laugh-out-loud moments and engrossing drama..." **TV Week**

"..very clever coming-of-age comedy...He really is quite a singular talent and may just turn into one of our great TV stars." **The Weekend Australian**

"Wry, original, and sublimely awkward..." **Sunday Mail**

"..genuine laughs...nice insights...not just funny, it has real heart and real interest in its characters..." **The Sunday Age**

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"..breaking new ground ... it's really funny without being sitcommy ... I basically am completely in love with this show." **The Guide, smh.com.au**

**About Josh's live shows...**

"Slightly confessional, brilliantly personal and so very sharply observed." **Daily Telegraph**

"Compellingly honest, relentlessly entertaining." **The Age**

"Brave, funny and thoroughly entertaining." **Sunday Telegraph**

"Yes, Josh World is a very funny world indeed." **West Australian**

**Television**

2020	Stan	<i>Everything's Gonna Be Okay</i> (Writer, Actor)
2019	Network Ten	<i>The Project</i> (Desk Appearance)
2018	Network Ten	<i>Hughesy We Have A Problem</i> (Guest)
2016	Hulu (USA) ABC TV	<i>Please Like Me Series 4</i> (Writer, Producer, Actor, Director)
2015	Pivot TV (USA) ABC TV	<i>Please Like Me Series 3</i> (Writer, Producer, Actor, Director)
2015	ABC TV	<i>Dirty Laundry Live</i> (Guest)
2014	Pivot TV (USA) ABC 2	<i>Please Like Me Series 2</i> (Writer, Producer, Actor)
2014	Pivot TV (USA)	<i>Take Part Live</i> (Guest)
2014	ABC TV	Q&A (Guest)
2014	Network Ten	<i>The Project</i> (Guest)
2014	ABC 2	<i>Dirty Laundry Live</i> (Guest)
2013	Pivot TV (USA)	<i>Please Like Me</i> (Writer, Producer, Actor)
2013	Pivot TV (USA)	<i>Take Part Live</i> (Guest)
2013	ABC 2	<i>Please Like Me</i> (Writer, Producer, Performer)
2013	Network Ten	<i>This Week Live</i> (Guest)
2013	Network Ten	<i>Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala</i> (Comedy Spot)
2013	ABC 2	<i>Dirty Laundry Live</i> (Guest)
2013	ABC TV	<i>Adam Hills Tonight</i> (Guest)
2013	ABC TV	Q & A (Guest)
2013	Network Ten	<i>The Living Room</i> (Guest)
2012	Foxtel, Lifestyle	<i>Celebrity Come Dine With Me</i> (Contestant)
2009-12	Network Ten	<i>Talkin' 'bout Your Generation</i>

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		(Team Captain)
2011	ABC TV	Q and A (Panel Guest)
2011	ABC TV	Josh Thomas, Surprise, 30min stand up special on DVD release
2011	Network Ten	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala (Host)
2010-11	Network Ten	Good News Week (Regular Guest)
2009-10	Network Ten	The 7PM Project (Regular Guest)
2010	Network Ten	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala (Stand Up Spot)
2010	Comedy Channel	A Night At the Festival Club (Host),
2009	Network Ten	Celebrity Masterchef (Contestant)
2009	Network Ten	Good News Week (Contestant)
2009	Network Ten	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala (Stand Up Spot)
2009	Network Ten	Ready, Steady, Cook (Contestant)
2008	Network Ten	Rove (Stand up Appearance)
2008	Network Ten	Good News Week (4x Guest Appearances)
2008	Comedy Channel	Melbourne International Comedy Festival – Festival Club Special (Stand Up Spot)
2007	ABC	The SideShow (2x Stand Up Appearances)
2007	Comedy Channel	Stand Up! Australia (StandUp Appearance)

**Live Shows**

2019	<i>Whoopsie Daisy – Solo Show</i> Brunswick Picture House, Brisbane Powerhouse, Enmore Theatre Sydney, Canberra Theatre Centre, Palais Theatre, Tanks Arts Centre Cairns, The Concourse Sydney, Regal Theatre Perth
2013	<i>Douchebag – Solo Show</i> Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Store, Illawarra IPAC, Perth Octagon.
2011	<i>Everything Ever – Solo Show</i> Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Sydney Theatre, Canberra Theatre Centre, Astor Theatre (Perth), Gold Coast, Nambour, Noosa, Cairns, Townsville, Newcastle, Wollongong, Albury.
2010	<i>Surprise – Solo Show</i> Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Octagon Theatre, Newcastle Civic Centre, Canberra theatre, Sydney Opera House
2010	<i>Lets Learn Some S*** - Live Panel Show</i> Melbourne, Chapel Off Chapel
2009	<i>Things That I Have Said Before – Solo Show</i> Melbourne Fringe Festival, The Sydney Comedy Store, Octagon Theatre
2009	<i>More Josh Than You Can Handle! – Solo Show</i>

	Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
2008	<i>Josh Thomas &amp; the Adventures of the World's Greatest Love Machine</i> – Solo Show
	Adelaide Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2007	<i>Please Like Me</i> – Solo Show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Brisbane Powerhouse, Wild West Comedy Festival
2006	<i>The Comedy Zone</i>
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival

## Recordings

2017	Universal	<i>Please Like Me Series 1-4 (Complete Box Set)</i>
2016	Universal	<i>Please Like Me Series Four (DVD)</i>
2015	Universal	<i>Please Like Me Series Three (DVD)</i>
2014	Universal	<i>Please Like Me Series Two (DVD)</i>
2013	Universal	<i>Please Like Me Series One (DVD)</i>
2011	Madman Entertainment	<i>Surprise (Stand-up DVD)</i>
2009	iTunes/ Audio CD	<i>Things I've Said Before (Stand-up)</i>

## Please Like Me: Awards

2017	WINNER: TV Week Logie Awards, Most Outstanding Comedy Program, Please Like Me
2016	NOMINEE: TV Week Logie Awards, Best Actor, Please Like Me
2016	NOMINEE: TV Week Logie Awards, Most Outstanding Comedy Program, Please Like Me
2016	WINNER: AWGIE Awards, Best Writing in a Comedy: Situation or Narrative, Please Like Me, Season 3 'Pancakes with Faces'
2016	NOMINEE: AWGIE Awards, Best Writing in a Comedy: Situation or Narrative Please Like Me, Season 3 'Coq au Vin' & 'Simple Carbohydrates'
2016	NOMINEE: Screen Producers Australia Awards, Comedy Television Production of the Year, Please Like Me Season 3
2016	NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Best Television Comedy Series, Please Like Me Season 3
2016	NOMINEE: Prism Awards, Comedy Episode or Multi-Episode Storyline, Please Like Me Season 3
2015	NOMINEE: TV Week Logie Awards, Most Outstanding Comedy Program, Please Like Me
2015	NOMINEE: TV Week Logie Awards, Most Popular Actor, Please Like Me
2015	WINNER: AWGIE Awards, Best Writing in a Comedy: Situation or Narrative, Please Like Me Series 2, Episode 7 'Scroggin'
2015	WINNER: 4 <sup>th</sup> AACTA Awards, Best Screenplay in Television, Please Like Me Series 2 Episode 7 'Scroggin'
2015	NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Best Performance in a Television Comedy, Please Like Me
2015	NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Best Television Comedy Series, Please Like Me
2015	NOMINEE: Prism Awards, Comedy Episode or Multi-Episode Storyline, Please Like Me, Season 2
2015	NOMINEE: Dorian Awards, LGBTQ TV Show of the Year, Please Like Me

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- 2015 NOMINEE: Dorian Awards, Unsung TV Show of the Year, Please Like Me
- 2015 WINNER: Screen Producers Australia Awards, Best Comedy Television Production – Please Like Me Season 2
- 2015 NOMINEE: 26<sup>th</sup> Annual GLAAD Media Award, Outstanding Comedy Series – Please Like Me.
- 2014 NOMINEE: International Emmy Awards, Comedy category
- 2014 WINNER: AACTA Awards, Best Screenplay in Television
- 2014 NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Best Television Comedy Series
- 2014 NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Best Direction in a Television Drama or Comedy
- 2014 NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Best Sound in Television
- 2014 NOMINEE: Rose D'or Award for Best Sitcom
- 2014 WINNER: Australian Directors Guild Awards, Best Direction in a TV Comedy – Matthew Saville, Please Like Me Series 1 Episode 3 'Portuguese Custard Tarts'
- 2014 NOMINEE: TV Week Logie Awards, Outstanding Light Entertainment Program – Please Like Me.
- 2014 NOMINEE: 25<sup>th</sup> Annual GLAAD Media Award, Outstanding Comedy Series – Please Like Me.
- 2013 WINNER (tied): AWGIE Award, Comedy: Situation or Narrative – Please Like Me: Josh Thomas, Liz Doran and Thomas Ward.
- 2013 NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Josh Thomas for Best Performance in a Television Comedy, Please Like Me
- 2013 NOMINEE - AACTA Awards, Best Direction in a Television Drama or Comedy
- 2013 WINNER (tied): TV Tonight Awards, Best Aussie Comedy – Please Like Me

## Josh Thomas Awards

- 2014 NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Best Performance in a Television Comedy
- 2013 NOMINEE: AACTA Awards, Best Performance in a Television Comedy
- 2011 NOMINEE: Best Comedy Release, ARIA Awards
- 2010 WINNER: GQ, Comedian of the Year Award
- 2010 NOMINEE: Barry Award for Most Outstanding Show, Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2010 NOMINEE: TV Week Logies Awards, – Most Popular New Male Talent
- 2010 WINNER: TV Week Logies Awards, Most Popular Light Entertainment Program, Talkin' 'bout your Generation
- 2010 WINNER: TV Week Logies Awards, Most Outstanding Light Entertainment Program, Talkin' 'bout your Generation
- 2007 WINNER: Best Newcomer Award – Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2005 WINNER: RAW Comedy – Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2005 FINALIST: "So You Think You're Funny" – Edinburgh Fringe Festival

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