

## Justin Hamilton

### Writer and Stand-Up Comedian

**Justin Hamilton** has carved out an incredibly successful career as a stand-up comedian, writer and stage director while maintaining his unique voice within the Australian comedy scene.

Over the course of the last 29 years, Justin has won awards for his solo stand-up comedy shows including the Director's Choice Award at the Melbourne Comedy Festival for his show "Three Colours Hammo". In 2011, The Arts Monthly announced that Justin was the Comedian of the Decade. In 2019 his one-person play won the Best Comedy Show award at the Adelaide Fringe for "The Ballad of John Tilt Animus". In 2023 Justin returned to stand-up comedy with his new show, "Little Victories", which garnered 5-star reviews and an Adelaide Fringe Weekly Award for Best Comedy Show. This same year Justin joined Nikki Britton as the first English speaking stand-up comedians to be booked as part of the Busan International Comedy Festival in South Korea. Justin also produced Melbourne's cult live show The Shelf which he co-hosted with Adam Richard. The variety comedy shows included guests Hannah Gadsby, The Dollop co hosts Dave Anthony and Gareth Reynolds, Puddles Pity Party, James Acaster and Rose Matafeo.

Having toured the country to rave reviews for many years, in 2011 Justin started curating and producing his own comedy night called The Shelf, widely regarded as one of the best comedy rooms in the country.

His podcast, *Can You Take This Photo Please?* ran from 2010 to 2017, hitting the top 20 downloads on Australian iTunes in its first year and has featured interviews with Simon Pegg, Marc Maron, Judith Lucy, Tony Martin and US comedian Dave Anthony, amongst others.

Justin has also worked extensively in radio, most recently as a key writer for Rove's 2DayFM breakfast show Rove & Sam. For ten years he was also the TV and movie reviewer for Perth's number one rated Mix FM, and a regular guest on Merrick Watts' Triple M Drive show in Sydney.

He's still found the time to be one of Australia's premiere stand-up comedians, performing two shows in 2016, *Hoot* and *Justin Hamilton – LIVE!*, as well as performing at Just for Laughs Sydney. In 2017 he revisited his origin story in *Bunta Boy*, a celebration and reflection on the beginning of his comedy career, which was launched as part of a duo bearing the same name.

Most recently, he was the head writer and a producer on Network Ten's *Show Me The Movie!* He was also the head writer and regularly appeared on *Whovians*, an ABC panel show hosted by Rove McManus that dissects and discusses the latest episodes of cult BBC show Doctor Who. He was also a writer and on-screen regular for Network Ten show *Saturday Night Rove*.

In late 2017, Justin and Rove launched a new live show at the inaugural YACK festival, *The Popular Experiment* – a talk show combining interviews, stand up and performances. At the same festival Justin wrote, directed and starred in the premiere of a new play *Three Dances for John Tilt Animus*, which won Best Comedy at the 2019 Adelaide Fringe.



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***"Hamilton resists the easy laugh lines that are the staple of stand-up and that are instantly forgotten. Instead, the show is memorably, blisteringly funny, and poignant at times."***

The Australian, Penny Durham

***"★★★★★ An unforgettable performance... his jokes are intelligent, witty and very entertaining. You should not miss this. Absolute stand out."***

Adelaide Advertiser

***"It's an intelligent, crafted work from a man whose deft use of stage and microphone create a multi-layered experience with an array of colourful characters"***

The Herald Sun

***"A fluent and unique delivery coupled with delicate material makes this a special hour"***

The Age



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## LIVE SHOWS

2023	BUSAN INTERNATIONAL COMEDY FESTIVAL, SOUTH KOREA
2017-19	THREE DANCES FOR JOHN TILT ANIMUS – PLAY YACK Festival – Giant Dwarf, The Toff In Town Melbourne, YACK Festival 2018 Return Season, Adelaide Fringe 2019, MICF 2019
2017	Bunta Boy - Solo Show Perth Fringe Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
2016	Justin Hamilton – LIVE! – Solo Show Comedy Store, Sydney
2016	HOOT – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe Festival, Perth Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
2015	Snacks – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe Festival, Perth Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
2014	Johnny Loves Mary Forever 1994 – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Edinburgh Fringe Festival
2013	Justin Hamilton – Solo Show Perth International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Store
2012	The Goodbye Guy – Solo Show Melbourne International Comedy Festival,
2011	Circular – Solo Show Melbourne International Comedy Festival,
2010	Idiot Man Child – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
2009	Bullets Over Fitzroy: Three Colours Hammo Coda – Solo Show One off performance, Willow Bar
2009	Alive and Well But Only In Theory – Solo Show Sydney Comedy Festival, QPAC 'In Stitches' Comedy Festival
2009	Goodbye Ruby Tuesday – with Hannah Norris Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2008	The Killing Joke – Solo Show Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2008	Three Colours Hammo – Solo Show Hong Kong Fringe Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Cracker Festival (Sydney)
2007	Three Colours Hammo – Solo Show Melbourne Comedy Festival, Brisbane Powerhouse
2007	Justin Hamilton – Solo Show

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2006	Adelaide Fringe Festival, Hobart Comedy Festival Justin Hamilton: <b>Smash! – Solo Show</b> Adelaide Fringe; Melbourne Comedy Festival, Hobart Comedy Festival
2005	Oh Father, Where, Art Thou? Adelaide Comedy Festival, Melbourne Comedy Festival, Hobart Comedy Festival
2004	Purple Cows Melbourne Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe, Dunedin Fringe Festival (NZ)
2004	Late Night with Lehmo and J Adelaide Fringe
2003	Justin Sane Melbourne Comedy Festival
2002	Father, Can You Spare a Dime? Adelaide Fringe, Melbourne Fringe
2001	The Indescribables (with Mikey D) Edinburgh Fringe Festival
2000	Screw You Misery, I'm the Karaoke Guy Adelaide Fringe

## RADIO

2016-17	Triple M (National)	Drive with Merrick Watts (Guest Co-host)
2015-17	2DayFM (Syd)	Breakfast with Rove & Sam (Writer/Creative Producer)
2014-17	Mix 94.5fm (Perth)	The Bunch – Drive Show (Weekly TV and Movie Reviewer)
2008-13	Mix 94.5fm (Perth)	The Breakfast Show (Weekly TV and Movie Reviewer)
2007-09	Triple M	<i>Toast</i> Weekend Breakfast Show (with Charlie Pickering & Terri Psiakis)
2009	Radio Five Live (UK)	<i>Yes It's The Ashes</i> – Topical Comedy show with Andy Zaltzman (guest)
2007-08	Triple M	Drive with Wil and Lehmo (Weekly Segment)
2008	Triple M	2 weeks Drive Show fill in, <i>Toast</i> (with Terri Psiakis & Charlie Pickering)
2008	Triple M	<i>The Shebang</i> (regular guest co-host)
2008	Triple M	Weekend Breakfast Show <i>Toast</i> (with Terri Psiakis & Charlie Pickering)
2006	Austereo Network	<i>Get This!</i> (Guest Co-Host with Tony Martin)
2003	Triple J	<i>Breakfast Show</i> (Guest Co-Host with Wil Anderson)
2003	Triple J	<i>Breakfast Show</i> (Guest co-host with Terri Psiakis)
2003	Triple J	<i>Five Hours of Flavour</i> (Host)
2003	Triple J	<i>Drive</i> (Weekly Segment "If I Ruled the World with Justin Hamilton)

## TELEVISION

2021-23	ABC TV	<i>Question Everything</i> (Talent Producer)
2019	Network Ten	<i>Saturday Night Rove</i> (Writer and Regular)
2018	ABC TV	<i>Whovians</i> (Head writer and series regular)

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2018	Network Ten	<i>Bring Back... Saturday Night</i> (writer)
2018	Network Ten	<i>Show Me The Movie!</i> (writer/producer)
2017	ABC TV	<i>Whovians Christmas Special</i> (Head writer and cast member)
2017	ABC TV	<i>Whovians</i> (Head writer and series regular)
2016	Comedy Channel	<i>Just for Laughs Stand Up Series</i> (Stand Up)
2015	ABC TV	<i>Dirty Laundry Live</i> (Panel Guest)
2014	Comedy Channel	<i>Just for Laughs at the Sydney Opera House</i> (Stand Up)
2014	ABC TV	<i>Dirty Laundry Live</i> (Panel Guest)
2013	Comedy Channel	Stand Ups Sit Down (Host)
2013	Comedy Channel	<i>Just For Laughs at the Sydney Opera House</i> (Stand Up)
2013	Network Ten	<i>This Week Live</i> (Guest)
2008-10	Network Ten	<i>Good News Week</i> (Guest Panellist)
2008	Comedy Channel	<i>Melbourne International Comedy Festival – Festival Club Special</i> (Stand Up Spot)
2007	Network Ten	<i>Rove</i> (Stand Up Appearance)
2007	ABC TV	<i>The Sideshow</i> (Stand Up Appearance)
2007	Comedy Channel	<i>Stand Up! Australia</i> (Stand Up Appearance)
2007	ABC TV	<i>Spicks &amp; Specks</i> (Guest Panellist)
2006	ABC TV	<i>The Glass House</i> (Guest Panellist)
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2006	thecomedychannel	<i>Stand Up Australia</i> (x 2 Stand Up Appearances)
2004	ABC TV	<i>Stand Up</i> (Stand Up Appearance)
2004	Network Ten	<i>Rove Live</i> (Stand Up Appearance)
2004	Network Ten	<i>Before The Game</i> (Writer)
2003	thecomedychannel	<i>Hit and Run</i> (Guest)
2003	thecomedychannel	<i>Takeshi's Castle</i> (Guest)
2002	ABC TV	<i>The Glass House</i> (Guest Panellist)

## Television – Acting

2014	ABC TV	Upper Middle Bogan, Guest
2010	ABC TV	The Librarians, Season 3, Regular

## DIRECTING etc.

2016	Recipient (with Paul Horan) of a Malthouse Theatre Co.Lab Artist development residency.	
2014	Geraldine Quinn	"MDMA: Modern Day Maiden Aunt" Melbourne International Comedy Festival (4 Stars – The Age)
2013	Lessons With Luis	"FAMOUCITY" Melbourne International Comedy Festival (5 Stars – Time Out)
2012	Tegan Higginbotham	"Million Dollar Tegan" (Best Newcomer nomination, MICF)
2011	Comedy Zone	Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2010	Tommy Dassalo	"An Explosion of Colours", Melbourne International Comedy Festival (****)
2010	Nelly Thomas	"I Coulda Been a Sailor", Melbourne International Comedy Festival (****)
2010	Halley Metcalf	"Five Stars", Melbourne International Comedy Festival ("the delivery of a young Julia Morris..." The Age)
2009	Tommy Dassalo	"Out At The Pictures", Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2007	The Comedy Zone	Melbourne International Comedy Festival (Including Hannah Gadsby and Celia Pacquola)

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## OTHER NOTABLE LIVE WORK

2018 Wil Anderson – Wilegal – Brisbane Comedy Festival, Canberra, Sydney Opera House, Bendigo, Pakenham, Townsville, Noosa - Support  
 2017-18 The Popular Experiment – Curator/Host/Performer – Giant Dwarf, Sydney  
 2017 The Dollop Live – Enmore Theatre, Sydney - Guest  
 2017 Wil Anderson – Fire at Wil – Sydney Opera House – Support Act  
 2016 Splendour In The Grass – Comedy Spot  
 2016 Just For Laughs Sydney – Stand Up Series – Comedy Spot  
 2015 Can You Take This Photo Please? LIVE – Curator/Producer/Host  
 2015 Wil Anderson – Wiluminati/Political Wil Support Act  
 2012–15 The Shelf – Curator/Producer/Host  
 2014 Melbourne International Comedy Festival - RAW Comedy, India  
 2013 Panel Moderator – The Creation Myth with Grant Morrison, Len Wein and Dave McKean at Sydney Opera House  
 2013 Perth International Comedy Festival Gala  
 2013 Forces Entertainment Tour – Entertaining the troops in Afghanistan  
 2012 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow  
 2011 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow  
 2010 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow, Singapore  
 2009 Regular guest on the Watercooler Segment – 9am with David and Kim  
 2009 Wil Anderson – Wilosophy Support Act  
 2007 Wil Anderson – Wil of God Support Act, Sydney Opera House  
 2007 Melbourne Comedy Festival Roadshow  
 2006 Melbourne Comedy Festival Roadshow  
 2006 Wil Anderson – Wil Communication National Support Act  
 2005 Wil Anderson – Kill Wil National Tour Support Act  
 2005 Melbourne Comedy Festival Roadshow MC  
 2005 Rove Stands Up – Adelaide Support Act for Rove McManus' National Tour, Thebarton Theatre  
 2004 Melbourne Comedy Festival Roadshow  
 2004 Tom Rhodes – Sydney Support Act for Tom Rhodes National Tour  
 2003 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow  
 2003 Falls Festival Comedy Stage  
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## AWARDS

2019 Winner, BEST COMEDY Adelaide Fringe  
 2011 The Arts Monthly "Comedian of the Decade"  
 2008 Nominated for the Barry Award for Most Outstanding Show Melbourne International Comedy Festival, for *The Killing Joke*  
 2008 Winner of the *Advertiser* Overall Fringe Award for *Three Colours Hammo*  
 2007 Festival Director's Award Melbourne International Comedy Festival for *Three Colour Hammo*  
 2007 Brian McCarthy Moosehead Memorial Award Recipient for *Three Colours Hammo*  
 2003 Winner of the "Piece of Wood Award" (an award chosen by fellow comedians) in the Melbourne Comedy Festival for *Justin Sane*

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