

# Mel Buttle

## Comedian / Writer / Presenter

**Mel Buttle** is a hilarious bundle of contradictions, and she's a package that is rapidly making herself felt in all mediums, right across the country.

Since her first solo show in 2010 which scored her a nomination for Best Newcomer at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Mel has been performing on the live comedy circuit across the country going from strength to strength. She performed her Solo Show *Hands on Heads* at the Brisbane Powerhouse at the beginning of 2020 and a recording of that show has since been released and is available to download as a podcast by ABC Comedy Presents.

Mel even wrote and performed her own TEDxBrisbane talk in 2014. She was originally booked to perform a set and instead, used the opportunity to deliver a beautiful message to audiences.

As well as live performance, Mel is a sought-after writer having written for ABC's *Ronny Chieng International Student*, *The Drum*, ABC3's *You're Skitting Me*, *Please Like Me*, and was a full-time writer on Network Ten's *This Week Live*. Currently Mel writes a weekly column in *The Courier Mail*.

In 2015, Mel found out she can have her cake and eat it too, scoring the job of co-host on *The Great Australian Bake Off* for Foxtel's Lifestyle channel alongside her friend Claire Hooper and judges Maggie Beer and Matt Moran. The fourth season of *Bake Off* aired in 2019.

You may have seen Mel on ABC TV's *The Weekly with Charlie Pickering*, *Tractor Monkeys*, *Back Seat Drivers* or *It's A Date* as well as Network Ten's *The Project*, *This Week Live*, *Hughesy We Have a Problem* and NZ's TV3 weekly program *7Days*.

Mel entered the jungle in the seventh series of the Network Ten favourite reality show *I'm A Celebrity...Get Me Out Of Here! Australia* this year, and you can catch her as the Australian Team Captain in series 1 of SBS comedy quiz show *Patriot Brains*.

*"Mel proves again to be a solid observational comic with a keen eye for the absurd minutiae of life in contemporary Australia."*

**The Music**

*"Buttle has the right mix of confidence and vulnerability to get the audience on side and the material to keep them there ... there is something about Buttle that brings a young Judith Lucy to mind. It would come as no surprise if she was just as successful."*

**The Courier Mail**

*"With the confidence, presence and sarcasm of a young Kitty Flanagan, Buttle had the audience eating out of her hand with some hilariously wrong stories..."*

**The West Australian**

*‘Searingly honest wisecracker’ ‘Her potent and polished debut promises comedy greatness’*  
**Sydney Morning Herald**

*‘Gifted of rare talent’*  
**The Age**

## Live Shows

- 2021 *Here If You Need* – Solo Show  
Brisbane Comedy Festival
- 2020 *Hands On Heads* – Solo Show  
Brisbane Powerhouse
- 2019 *Welcome Aboard* – Solo Show  
Brisbane Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival  
Wagga Wagga Comedy Festival
- 2018 *Dog Bitch* – Solo Show  
Brisbane Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2017 *I Can’t Believe It’s Not Buttle!* – Solo Show  
Brisbane Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival  
Sydney Comedy Festival
- 2016 *Quite Unsavoury* – Solo Show  
Brisbane Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- 2015 *Up to Pussy’s Bow* – Solo Show  
Brisbane Comedy Festival
- 2014 *Bring A Plate* – Solo Show  
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy  
Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival
- 2013 *How Embarrassment* – Solo Show  
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy  
Festival
- 2012 *Stop It, You Are!* – Solo Show  
Sydney Fringe Festival
- 2011 *Buttle and Buttle* - Solo Show  
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Brisbane Comedy  
Festival
- 2010 *Sista Got Flow* - Solo Show  
Adelaide Fringe Festival, Melbourne Comedy Festival,  
Brisbane Comedy Festival

## Television

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| 2021 | SBS         | Patriot Brains ( <i>Australian Team Captain</i> )  |
| 2020 | Network Ten | I’m A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here<br>(Contestant) |

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2015-19	Foxtel Lifestyle	The Great Australian Bake Off ( <i>Host – Season 1 - 5</i> )
2019-20	Network Ten	Hughesy We Have A Problem ( <i>Guest</i> )
2018-20	Network Ten	The Project ( <i>Contributor, 4<sup>th</sup> Chair Host</i> )
2019	ABC TV	MICF Oxfam Gala ( <i>Stand Up</i> )
2019-20	Network Ten	Hughesy We Have A Problem ( <i>Guest</i> )
2019	Channel Nine	20 to 1 ( <i>Contributor</i> )
2019	Network Ten	Celebrity Name Game ( <i>Guest</i> )
2019	Network Ten	Show Me The Movie! ( <i>Guest</i> )
2016-19	TV3 (NZ)	7 Days ( <i>Regular Guest</i> )
2018	ABC TV	MICF Upfront Gala ( <i>Stand Up</i> )
2018	Network Ten	Bring Back...Saturday Night ( <i>Guest</i> )
2017-18	ABC	The Weekly with Charlie Pickering ( <i>Guest</i> )
2017	ABC 2	Comedy Up Late ( <i>Stand Up</i> )
2017	ABC ME	Stand and Deliver ( <i>Stand Up – for kids</i> )
2016	ABC 2	Comedy Up Late ( <i>Stand Up</i> )
2015-16	TVNZ	Best Bits ( <i>Regular Guest</i> )
2015	Comedy Channel	Just For Laughs at the Sydney Opera House, Stand Up Series ( <i>Stand Up</i> )
2014	ABC TV	It's a Date ( <i>Acting, Character: Mon</i> )
2014	Comedy Channel	Just for Laughs at the Sydney Opera House, Stand Up Series ( <i>Stand up</i> )
2014	ABC 2	Backseat Drivers ( <i>Guest</i> )
2014	ABC 2	Comedy Up Late ( <i>Stand Up</i> )
2013	Network Ten	This Week Live ( <i>Weekly Cross and various sketches</i> )
2013	Network Ten	The Election Project ( <i>Correspondant from The Greens HQ</i> )
2013	Network Ten	The Project (Metro Whip, Regular)
2013	ABC TV	Tractor Monkeys ( <i>Guest</i> )
2013	Network Ten	Can of Worms ( <i>Guest</i> )

**Writing – Print**

2011 – 2021	The Courier Mail	Weekly Columnist
2012 – 2013	Triple J Mag	Columnist
2013	The Drum	Guest Contributor

**Writing – Television**

2015-19	The Great Australian Bake Off	Writer of own scripts and other contributions
2016	Ronny Chieng International Student	Workshop Contributor
2013	This Week Live Network Ten	Full Time Writer
2012	Please Like Me ABC2	Workshop Contributor
2012	You're Skitting Me ABC3	Sketch Writer

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**Radio / Podcasts**

2020	Podcast	Plot Twist – Writer/Contributer
2020	Podcast	The Guilty Feminist - Guest
2020	ABC Comedy Presents...Podcast	“Hands on Heads” Live Solo Show
2016-20	ABC Brisbane	Regular appearances & Guest Hosting
2019	Triple M Brisbane	Triple M Breakfast - Guest
2015	B105	Weekly Segment
2013	Nova 100	Fill in Breakfast co-host – 1 week with Tommy Little
2013	triple j	Breakfast with Tom and Alex, regular segments “Mel’s Strongly Worded Letters” “Buttle Theatre” and “Message in a Buttle”
2013	triple j	Good Az Friday OB – Guest
2013	triple j	Tram Sessions - Guest
2011	612 ABC	Afternoons with Richard Fidler – Guest Host
2010	Nova – National	Saturday Sessions with Dave Thornton – Guest Co-Host

## Other Notable Work

- 2019 AACTA Awards Luncheon - Host
- 2019 Byron Bay Comedy Festival – Live show with Dave Thornton and Nikki Britton
- 2019-21 MICF Roadshow – Regional Australia
- 2018 Belvoir HA HA – Live show with Mel Buttle, Anne Edmonds and Cal Wilson Belvoir Theatre, Sydney
- 2018 A Night With: Susie Youssef, Anne Edmonds and Mel Buttle – Spiegeltent Hobart
- 2016-18 MICF Roadshow – Australia and Asia
- 2018 Not Just For Laughs – Regional Queensland Comedy Tour with Merrick Watts
- 2017-21 MICF Class Clowns – Host of Grand Final, Workshop Facilitator
- 2016 Can't Live Without, Mamamia Podcast - Series Host
  
- 2015 Support: Marc Maron – Brisbane City Hall
- 2014 TEDx Brisbane – Talk
- 2014 Splendour in the Grass – Comedy
- 2014 Byron Bay Writers Festival – Panellist
- 2014 MICF Class Clowns – Workshop Facilitator
- 2014 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow
- 2014 Support: Wil Anderson – Wiluminati, Sydney Comedy Festival
- 2013 MICF: Indigenous Cultural Awareness Workshop
- 2013 Sydney Comedy Festival Gala – Cracker Night
- 2013 Canberra Comedy Festival Gala
- 2013 Woodford Folk Festival

## Awards

- 2018 Nominee – Best Female Presenter – AACTA Awards
- 2013 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Directors' Choice – Winner
- 2012 Sydney Fringe Best Show – Winner
- 2010 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Best Newcomer - Nominee

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