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# Rove McManus

## Biography

**Rove McManus** started his entertainment career as a stand up comedian but has gone on to become Australia's most successful talk show host and one of its biggest producers of entertainment television.

Rove's eponymous television show launched on Nine in 1999 and then re-emerged a year later, kicking off the new millennium on Ten playing host to some of the planet's biggest names with the likes of Cameron Diaz, John Travolta, Drew Barrymore, Matt Damon, The Duchess of York and U2 taking time out to chat with Rove.

*Rove Live* made Rove a three-time recipient of Australia's most prestigious television award, the oddly named Gold Logie, for Most Popular Personality.

Rove's production company *Roving Enterprises* has produced several scripted and non-scripted comedy series as well as the ARIA Awards which Rove has hosted three times. Roving is the company behind the iconic daily news program, *The Project*, which celebrated eleven years on air in 2020.

In 2018 (and 2019) Rove hosted the film culture quiz, *Show Me The Movie* for Network Ten. Rove has also managed to squeeze in time to create and host *Whovians* a talk show for fans of Doctor Who (ABC).

Rove is returning to his roots as an illustrator creating two new books for kids, a picture book, *Disgusting McGrossface*, and a series of books for older readers – *Rocky Lobstar*. Both are now available through Scholastic.

***"A few years from now there's a real chance we will look back on September, 1999 as the time we saw the start of a network TV career of a young guy who may well turn out to be one of the biggest names in the business"***

*Robert Fidgeon, Herald Sun*

## Television and Film (Performing)

2018	Ten Network	<i>Show Me The Movie!</i> (Host)
2017	ABC	<i>Whovians</i> (Host)
2015	GSN (US)	<i>Lie Detectors</i> (Host)
2014	FOX (US)	<i>Riot</i> (Host)
2014	Comedy Central (US)	<i>@ Midnight</i> (Guest)
2014 - 2018	Ten Network	<i>The Project</i> (Guest Host)
2010 - 2014	NBC	<i>The Tonight Show with Jay Leno</i> (Regular)
2013	SBS	<i>Who Do You Think You Are?</i>
2012	Cartoon Network	<i>Exchange Student Zero</i> (Voice)
2011 - 2012	FOX8	<i>ROVE LA</i> (Host & Producer)
2009 -	E! (US)	<i>Chelsea Lately</i> (Panel Guest)
2009	Ten Network	<i>Are You Smarter Than A 5<sup>th</sup> Grader?</i> Series 3 (Host & Producer)
2009	Ten Network	<i>Rove</i> , Series 10 (Host & Producer)
2008	ABC (US)	<i>The List – TV Special</i> (Host)
2008	Ten Network	<i>22<sup>nd</sup> Annual ARIA Awards</i> (Presenter & Producer)
2008	Ten Network	<i>Are You Smarter Than A 5<sup>th</sup> Grader?</i> Series 2 (Host & Producer)
2008	Ten Network	<i>Rove</i> , Series 9 (Host & Producer)
2007	Ten Network	<i>21<sup>st</sup> Annual ARIA Awards</i> (Host & Producer)
2007	Ten Network	<i>Are You Smarter Than A 5<sup>th</sup> Grader?</i> Series 1 (Host & Producer)
2007 - 2012	NBC (US)	<i>Tonight Show with Jay Leno</i> (Guest/Regular)
2007	Ten Network	<i>Rove</i> , Series 8 (Host & Producer)
2006	Ten Network	<i>Rove [Live]</i> , Series 7 (Host & Producer)
2005	Ten Network	<i>Rove [Live]</i> , Series 6 (Host & Producer)
2005	Ten Network	<i>Seriously Forty</i> (Co-Host)
2004	Ten Network	<i>Rove [Live]</i> , Series 5 (Host & Producer)
2004	Ten Network	<i>18<sup>th</sup> Annual ARIA Awards</i> (Host & Producer)
2003	Disney Pixar	<i>Finding Nemo</i> (Voice)
2003	Ten Network	<i>17<sup>th</sup> Annual ARIA Awards</i> (Host & Producer)
2003	Ten Network	<i>Rove [Live]</i> , Series 4 (Host & Producer)
2002	Ten Network	<i>16<sup>th</sup> Annual ARIA Awards</i> (Host & Producer)
2002	Ten Network	<i>Rove [Live]</i> , Series 3 – 40 eps (Host & Producer)
2001	Ten Network	<i>Rove [Live]</i> , Series 2 – 41 eps (Host & Producer)
2001	Ten Network	<i>Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras</i> (Host)
2000	Ten Network	<i>Rove [Live]</i> , 10 x 1 hour live eps (Host & Producer)
2000	Ten Network	<i>14<sup>th</sup> Annual ARIA Awards</i> (Host)
2000	Ten Network	Melbourne Comedy Festival <i>Debate</i> (Debater)
1999	Nine Network	<i>MILLENIUM</i> New Year's Eve Telecast (Co-Host)
1999	Nine Network	<i>rove</i> , 9 eps (Host & Producer)
1999	Nine Network	<i>Simply The Best – Television</i> (Panellist)
1999	Nine Network	<i>Super Debate</i> (Debater x 3)
1999	Nine Network	<i>Melbourne Comedy Festival Gala</i> (Host)
1998 – 2000	ABC-TV/Ten	<i>Good News Week</i> (Regular Panellist)
1997 – 1998	Channel 31	<i>The Loft Live</i> (Host & Producer)
1996	ABC-TV	<i>Something Hot Before Bed</i> (Stand Up x 2)

## Television (Producing)

2009-2018	Ten Network	The Project
2004-2013	Ten Network	<i>Before The Game</i> , Series 1 - 10 (Co-exec Producer)
2011-2013	FOX-8/TVGN (US)	Rove LA, Series 1&2 (Producer)
2000-2009	Ten Network	Rove Live, Series 1-9 (Producer)
2006	Ten Network	<i>Real Stories</i> , (Co-exec Producer)
2004	Ten Network	<i>skitHOUSE</i> , Series 2 (Co-executive Producer)
2003	Ten Network	<i>After The Game</i> (Co-executive Producer)
2003	Ten Network	<i>skitHOUSE</i> , Series 1 (Co-executive Producer)
1999	Nine Network	<i>rove</i> , Series 1 (Producer)

## Live Comedy

2017 – 2018	<i>Rove McManus – That's Me Talking</i> – Solo Show Heath Ledger Theatre – Perth, Garden of Unearthly Delights – Adelaide, Ithaca Auditorium – Brisbane, Comedy Theatre, Melbourne, Comedy Store, Sydney, Spiegeltent – Newcastle, Spiegeltent - Canberra
2017 – 2018	<i>The Popular Experiment with Rove McManus</i> – Ensemble Show Giant Dwarf - Sydney
2013	<i>Just For Laughs Comedy Festival</i> (Montreal)
2010	<i>Just For Laughs Comedy Festival</i> (Montreal) Gala and various club appearances.
2008	<i>Rove McManus 2008 Australian Stand Up Tour</i> – Solo Show Thebarton Theatre – Adelaide, Melbourne Town Hall - Melbourne, Enmore Theatre - Sydney, Brisbane Convention Centre – Brisbane, Perth Concert Hall – Perth
2005	<i>Rove McManus Stands Up</i> – Solo Show Athenaeum Theatre - Melbourne, Enmore Theatre - Sydney, Perth Concert Hall – Perth, Canberra Theatre – Canberra, Thebarton Theatre – Adelaide, Brisbane Convention Centre – Brisbane, St James Theatre – Auckland, Opera House – Wellington.
2001	<i>Rove [Live] Live</i> – with Corinne Grant & Peter Helliard Riverside Theatre – Parramatta, Twelfth Night Theatre – Brisbane, Regal Theatre – Perth
2000	<i>Rove [Live] Live</i> – with Corinne Grant, Dave Callan & Peter Helliard Hi-Fi Bar – Melbourne, Metro – Sydney
2000	<i>Rove – Live As</i> – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe, Melbourne International Comedy Festival
1999	<i>The Cast of <u>rove</u> Live</i> – with Corinne Grant, Dave Callan & Peter Helliard Prince Patrick Hotel – Melbourne
1999	<i>Waiting For Munro</i> – with Corinne Grant Melbourne International Comedy Festival
1999	<i>Shame: The College Years</i> – with Corinne Grant, Kim Hope & Adam Richard Melbourne International Comedy Festival
1998	<i>Shame</i> – with Adam Richard, Kim Hope & Corinne Grant Melbourne International Comedy Festival
1997	<i>Superhero Street (Cast Member)</i> Melbourne International Comedy Festival
1996	<i>Fitzroy Lounging Off</i> – with various artists

Melbourne Fringe Festival

\*\* Rove has also made various stand up appearances at numerous venues since 1993, as well as campus and corporate functions.

## Radio

2017	SCA	2Day FM Evenings "Rove & Sam"
2015 - 2016	SCA	2Day FM Breakfast "Rove & Sam"
2004	Austereo Network & Regional Synd.	<i>Rove Live Radio</i> (Host with Corinne Grant & Peter Helliar)
2001 - 2003	Austereo Network	<i>Saturday Morning Rove</i> (Host with Corinne Grant & Peter Helliar)
2001	Austereo Network	Breakfast guest in all territories
2000	2Day FM	<i>The Morning Crew</i> (Regular guest)
1999	Triple J	<i>The Breakfast Show</i> (Weekly Spot)
1993 - 1995	RTR-FM (Perth)	Breakfast (Weekly Spot)

## OTHER RELEASES

2003	DVD – <i>Rove 99 – The Channel Nine Tapes</i>	Sony Music
2002	CD - <i>Rove Live... Some More Music</i>	Sony Music
2001	CD - <i>Rove Live... Some Music</i>	Sony Music

## Awards

2010	Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards Awesome Aussie Award
2009	Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards Favourite TV Star Favourite Aussie
2009	TV Week Logie Awards Silver Logie for Most Popular Presenter Logie for Most Popular Light Entertainment/Comedy Program
2009	GQ Media Personality of The Year
2008	Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards Favourite TV Star Favourite Aussie
2008	TV Week Logie Awards Silver Logie for Most Popular Presenter
2007	Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards Favourite TV Star - Male
2007	TV Week Logie Awards Silver Logie for Most Popular Presenter Logie for Most Popular Light Entertainment/Comedy Program
2006	Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards Funniest Person
2006	TV Week Logie Awards Silver Logie for Most Popular TV Presenter
2005	TV Week Logie Awards Gold Logie for Most Popular Personality on Australian TV. Silver Logie for Most Popular Presenter Logie for Most Popular Light Entertainment/Comedy Program

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- 2003 TV Week Logie Awards  
Gold Logie for Most Popular Personality on Australian TV.  
Silver Logie for Most Popular Presenter  
Logie for Most Popular Light Entertainment/Comedy Program
- 2002 TV Week Logie Awards  
Most Popular Light Entertainment/Comedy Program
- 2001 GQ Magazine – Television Personality of the Year

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