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ZOE COOMBS MARR

COMEDIAN

Zoë Coombs Marr is a performer, writer, artist and comedian. She grew up in Grafton, where she and her best friend staged a musical instead of going to schoolies week.

Zoë has performed stand up comedy extensively in Australia, London and New York. Her solo show, **Trigger Warning**, won the 2016 Melbourne Comedy Barry Award as well as the Golden Gibbo, and two Green Room Awards. It was also nominated for Best Show at the 2016 Edinburgh Fringe Festival and the 2017 Victorian Premier's Literary Award for Drama.

In 2008 Zoë completed a double degree in Performance Studies at UNSW and Fine Arts at COFA, where she was awarded the Dinosaur Designs Prize and the Art and Australia Award. Her video works and sculptures have been exhibited at a number of galleries, including First Draft, Kudos and King's ARI and in 2006 she won the National Poetry Slam Championships under dubious circumstances.

In 2012, her solo theatre/comedy work *And That Was The Summer That Changed My Life* was awarded the Philip Parsons Young Playwright Award and was nominated for Best Newcomer at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival. Other works include *Gone Off or I've Been Everywhere, Man* (Old Fitzroy Theatre, MCF 2012, SMAC award Best On Stage 2012) and *Dave* (MCF 2013, Edinburgh Fringe, Soho Theatre, London). Zoë's five-woman ensemble play *Is This Thing On?* was presented at Belvoir Theatre in 2014.

Zoë is also one third of the contemporary performance company **post**. Most recently, **post**'s work *Oedipus Schmoedipus* was presented at Belvoir for Sydney Festival, Arts House Melbourne, and won a Green Room award for best experimental text. **post**'s other works include: *Who's The Best?* (Sydney Theatre Company, Melbourne Arts House, Brisbane Powerhouse, Darwin Festival, and Noorderzon Festival, NL, 2011-2013), *Everything I Know About The Global Financial Crisis In One Hour* (Belvoir Theatre, 2010), *Shamelessly Glitzy Work* (Performance Space Sydney, Melbourne Arts House, Brisbane Powerhouse) and their newest work *Ich Nibber Dibber* played at Melbourne's Malthouse Theatre and the Sydney Opera House in 2018.

Zoë filmed **Trigger Warning** as part of the Next Gen series, was a regular panel member on **Dirty Laundry Live**, and has also been seen on **Cram** (Ten), ABC'S **The Chaser's Media Circus**, **How Not To Behave**, **Backseat Drivers**, and **Live at Bella Union** (SBS).

In 2017, Zoë's theatrical collaboration with Ursula Martinez and Adrienne Truscott, *Wild Bore*, premiered at the Malthouse Theatre and went on to be performed at the Soho Theatre, Edinburgh Fringe and at the Skirball Centre at NYU.

Since 2013 Zoë most frequently appeared in comedy circles (including in her award-winning show *Trigger Warning*) as *Dave*, a retrograde male comedian with a neck

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beard. But in 2018 she appeared as herself, sans Dave's neck beard, with her hit festival offering **Bossy Bottom**. The show saw Zoe nominated for Best Comedy Performer at the Helpmann Awards and won her a prestigious Herald Angel Award in Edinburgh. *Bossy Bottom* has been filmed for international release on Amazon Prime Video in 2020.

"This delicious meta-lasagne of insanity is unclassifiable, impossible to explain and off-the-charts, wet-your-pants brilliant. Zoe Coombs Marr is a genius." Herald Sun

"Surprise is the foundation on which comedy is built – and Coombs Marr is a master of it." ★★★★★ The Guardian, 2018

TELEVISION

2019	ABC TV	<i>The Let Down</i> (Actor - Role: Amber)
2017-19	ABC TV	<i>Get Krack!n</i> (Actor - Roles: EJ Hayes, Jean Voiceover – Role: Shopper's Corner Announcer)
2019	SBS	<i>2019 Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras</i> (Co-Host)
2018	ABC TV	<i>Melbourne International Comedy Festival Upfront Gala</i> (Comedy Spot)
2018	ABC TV	<i>Tonightly with Tom Ballard</i> (Stand Up)
2018	ABC TV	<i>Black Comedy</i> (Guest Cast)
2017	Network Ten	<i>Cram!</i> (Guest Contestant)
2017	ABC TV	<i>Stop Laughing... This is Serious</i> (Interview – Documentary)
2016	ABC TV	<i>Comedy Next Gen – Trigger Warning</i> (Stand Up Comedy Special)
2016	ABC TV	<i>Comedy Up Late</i> (Stand Up as Dave)
2015	ABC TV	<i>The Chaser's Media Circus</i> (Guest Appearance)
2013-15	ABC TV	<i>Dirty Laundry Live</i> (Regular Panellist)
2015	ABC TV	<i>How Not To Behave</i> (Ensemble Cast)
2015	Channel 31	<i>About Tonight</i> (Guest Host as Dave)
2014	ABC TV	<i>Back Seat Drivers</i> (Guest)
2014	SBS	<i>Stand Up At Bella Union</i> (Stand Up as Dave)

LIVE SHOWS

2018-19	<i>Bossy Bottom</i> – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Darwin Festival, YACK Festival, Canberra Comedy Festival, Return Season MICF 2019, Edinburgh Fringe, Malthouse Theatre Melbourne, Soho Theatre London
2018	<i>Ich Nibber Dibber</i> – Play with Natalie Rose and Mish Grigor QPAC Brisbane, Malthouse Theatre Melbourne, Sydney Opera House

- 2017-19 *Wild Bore* – Play with Adrienne Truscott and Ursula Martinez
Malthouse Theatre Melbourne, Edinburgh Fringe, Soho Theatre
London, Sydney Festival, Skirball Centre NYC,
- 2016-18 *Trigger Warning* – Solo Show
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Giant Dwarf Sydney,
Easey Street Concert Hall Melbourne, Edinburgh Fringe, Soho
Theatre London, All About Women Festival Sydney Opera House,
Return Season MICF 2017, Return Season Edinburgh Fringe 2017,
Brisbane Festival, New Zealand Festival

AWARDS

- 2019 Winner – Edinburgh Festival Fringe – Herald Angel Award
2018 Nominee – Helpmann Award – Best Comedy Performer
2017 Nominee – Victorian Premier’s Literary Award for Drama
2017 Winner – Green Room Award – Independent Theatre: Performance
2017 Winner – Green Room Award – Independent Theatre: Writing
2016 Winner – Melbourne International Comedy Festival – Barry Award
2016 Winner – Melbourne International Comedy Festival – Golden Gibbo
2016 Nominee – Edinburgh Festival Fringe – Best Show
2012 Nominee – Melbourne International Comedy Festival – Best Newcomer

WRITING

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| 2019 | ABC TV | <i>Get Krack!n</i> (Additional Writing) |
| 2019 | ABC TV | <i>Rosehaven</i> (Additional Writing) |

OTHER NOTABLE WORK

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| 2019 | Comedy Spots | Just For Laughs Montreal |
| 2019 | Comedy Spots | Supporting Hannah Gadsby – MICF |
| 2019 | Director | Tom Walker – Very Very |
| 2018 | Comedy Spot | Supporting Ilana Glazer – Hamer Hall
Melbourne |
| 2018 | Cast Member | Tom Ballard and Friends – YACK Festival |

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