

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL COMEDY FESTIVAL NEWS RELEASE 2018

“An Evening With Elliot Goblet And Vince Sorrenti” will bring together 2 absolute legends of Australian comedy. They will perform on 4 occasions during the Melbourne International Comedy Festival and they are delighted to have as their MC the very brilliant Brad Oakes.

Elliot Goblet is one of the most original comedians in the history of the known universe.

He first performed in mid 1981 and in his early days he worked mainly in the comedy clubs of Melbourne & Sydney to develop a unique comedy identity. Fortunately it was just 10 months later that he was discovered by Daryl Somers and started getting regular exposure on television variety shows. He went on to perform over 60 stand up comedy spots on Australian national television shows including Hey Hey It's Saturday, Midday Show with Ray Martin and The Footy Show (NRL)

Elliot Goblet's many other TV career highlights include lots of guest appearances on celebrity TV game shows and cameo appearances on shows like Swift And Shift, Pizza and Neighbours.

He has performed all over Australia and in 7 other countries including Canada at The Montreal Comedy Festival.

His other achievements include a best selling book “Business According To Goblet” containing heavily nonsense coated business advice, an Aria nominated Album “internally berserk”, and in 2015 a collection of some of his best one liners in the Album “goblet's greatest bits”, a regular segment on current affairs TV programs giving Elliot's “offbeat but on target” view of the week's news, support act for the band “America” during one of their tours around Australia, host of the Qantas in flight audio comedy channel world wide...and beyond, plus a cameo role in the film “Fat Pizza” as a pesky health inspector.

Over the last 15 years or so Elliot has been very involved in fundraisers, both as a performer and a producer. He has been particularly linked to the great causes of Father Bob Maguire and Les Twentyman.

These days for Elliot Goblet (real name Jack Levi) it is mainly corporate events and he has performed at over 1500 of these. Also he is doing an increasing number of weddings as the MC and appearances at birthday parties ranging from 21sts through to 71sts. His major strength at all of these events is his ability to include special material written for the event. Website is www.elliottgoblet.com.au and worth a visit.

Vince Sorrenti is one of Australia's most loved and leading comedian entertainers

He has won the coveted Mo Award for Australia's Best Stand-Up Comedian 5 times.

Vince started his comedy career in 1981 and remains the great survivor of Aussie comedy.

Whilst studying Architecture at Sydney University, he played rugby union and featured heavily in the acclaimed Architecture Revues over many years. It was here and at the newly opened (1981) Sydney Comedy Store that Vince Sorrenti cut his teeth as a performer.

In the late 1980s he lived and worked as a stand up comedian in New York City. Spotted by MTV he became the host of the national Big Blank Show, a live variety/video show which aired nightly from Mon-Thurs. Vince Sorrenti has appeared on virtually every variety show on Australian TV over the last 3 decades. He hosted the game show Let's Make a Deal in 1990. In recent years he has appeared on Australian Celebrity Apprentice, Skating on Thin Ice, Wide Open Road, 20 to 1, Studio 10, and many others.

Vince Sorrenti has co-written 2 films. The first was the publicly funded training film entitled No Laughing Matter (1991). It focused on global environmental sustainability and Sorrenti played all 7 characters in the film. He was nominated for awards at the Berlin and New York film festivals and was Awarded Best Training Film at Berlin Film Awards. In the same year he co wrote with Larry Buttrose a feature film entitled Gino (1994). The screenplay was awarded full funding by the FFC (Film Finance Corporation). It received a limited release and was nominated for an AFI Award (Production Design).

These days, no comedian is more in demand for everything from after dinner speaking to product launches, sports hospitality, awards ceremonies and any manner of corporate, fundraising, sporting or public event. Vince performs at over 200 events a year in Australia and overseas.

This short season at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival will be a rare public appearance for this super comedian and he has never been funnier.

Website is www.vincesorrenti.com and also worth a visit.

