

# Rachel Berger

## *Comedian, Author, MC & Keynote Speaker*

Rachel Berger is an exceptional stand-up comedian with an impressive ability to connect with diverse audiences. Well known for her ability to expose hilarious human foibles, her material is political, psychological and socially conscious.

Rachel's dynamic presence and sharp observations have made her a popular performer both live and on TV across Australia. She has performed four times at the prestigious Edinburgh Comedy Festival, and while in Britain, made many TV appearances and performed extensively on the London comedy circuit.

In demand as a corporate entertainer and MC, Rachel believes that laughter is a powerful tool, able to communicate a powerful message. She has been invited to appear at events as diverse as hosting a public forum on Climate Change with world-leading Climate Change expert Stephen Schneider, to writing and performing in Diversity Works, an educational video for the Council for Equal Opportunity in Employment and as a special guest performer at a Positive Living Expo for Women with the overall aim to reduce the harm associated with gambling.

Rachel's client list includes: Yarra Valley Water, TOGA Hospitality, BMW, and the department of the premier and Cabinet South Australia.

Rachel has written and performed shows including *Hold the Pickle* - a one woman show, *Miss (you) Melbourne* - an evening of comedy from some of Australia's best-known female comedians and *Loose Cannon* - a one woman show at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival.

On radio, Rachel Berger has presented the *Breakfast Show* on ABC Radio Melbourne 774, Austereo Perth, Mix 94.5 and been a regular guest on The Conversation Hour with Jon Faine, ABC Radio 774.

Rachel's numerous television credits include featuring on *Stop Laughing This is Serious*, an ABC comedy documentary; appearances on *Statesmen of Comedy*, *Rove Live*, *The Glass House*, *GMA*, *Good News Week*, *World Series Debating*, *The Big Gig*, *Hey Hey It's Saturday* and *Denton*; co-hosting *Comic Relief*, a live to air special on the Nine Network, featuring on *Punchlines*, a documentary about twenty years of Australian comedy; as a regular co-host and presenter on ABC Radio 774; writing for *The Weekly Review*, *The Age*, *Sunday Age*, *Sunday Herald Sun* as well as national magazines such as *New Woman* and *Rolling Stone*.



### ***Rachel Berger talks about:***

Rachel tailors her stand-up comedy acts to meet your objectives and make your audience laugh.

In her keynote The Power Of Laughter, Rachel tells her story of triumph and success – a story that makes you believe in the strength of the human spirit and the power of laughter to overcome the most gruelling circumstances.

### **Client testimonials**

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“ Ms Berger is a very funny and talented comedian who can tailor her act to suit the audience without sacrificing laughs. She won over the senior executives at our inaugural conference dinner with her natural style, sharp and relevant observations and sheer presence.

***- Information Technology International***

“ Your material was well researched and well targeted. You had our mostly male audience enchanted by your insightful and hilarious commentary on our industry.

***- Millennium Turfgrass Conference***

“ Rachel Berger is the consummate performer - vibrant, entertaining and totally in tune with her audience. She was definitely the highlight of the evening.

***- Australian Hotels Association***

“ Rachel’s presentation was funny and, especially important, it was relevant. We have been inundated with compliments on the success of these awards. Rachel's performance made us, the client, look good.

***- Murdoch Magazines***

“ Thank you for MC’ing at our opening night dinner, and for making the event an outstanding success. Not only did you have the entire audience howling with laughter on the night, your experience, professionalism and guidance in the lead up to the event were invaluable to the committee. We especially loved the way you thoroughly researched our industry before the night, and wove your understanding and insights into the performance. It was a rousing, hilarious and highly relevant kickstart to our conference.

***- IPSOS Australia***

“ Right from the get go, Rachel put us at ease with her knowledge and advice of how to deliver a great event. She worked with us on our running order, room set up and tone of the evening and her wealth of experience was critical to the event’s success. On the night, Rachel dazzled

and had our guests hooked within moments. She MC'd the event with a deft touch, displaying an emotional range that could be raw and honest one moment and achingly acerbic and funny the next. She improvised when necessary and above all looked like she was enjoying herself as much as everybody else in the room but never lost her professionalism or timing. Our guests couldn't wait to tell us how amazing Rachel was. We wouldn't hesitate in recommending Rachel for her considerable skills and can't wait to have her back again.

**- Chair Brimbank Community Fund Advisory Committee**

“ Not only did you have the entire audience howling with laughter on the night, your experience, professionalism and guidance in the lead up to the event were invaluable to the committee. We are hugely appreciative of the amount of time and effort you put in to ensure that the whole night would be a success. We especially loved the way you thoroughly researched our industry before the night, and wove your understanding and insights into the performance. It was a rousing, hilarious and highly relevant kickstart to our conference.

**- Australian Market and Social Research Society Conference**

“ I have received no shortage of positive feedback, praising your affability, quick wit and choice of comedic anecdotes which complemented the themes and tone of the day perfectly.

**- Ethnic Communities' Council of Victoria**

“ It is the offbeat observation, the incisive knack of showing up everyday events for the ludicrous pantomimes they really are that separate the women from the girls. In this department Rachel Berger is a real Star...

**- The Guardian, London**

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**- Editor, Home Beautiful**

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