

# George Kapiniaris

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## *Comedian, Actor & MC*

George Kapiniaris is an outstanding Australian comedian, an actor in musical theatre and a popular television personality. He is also an accomplished MC, known for his ability to quickly have his audiences “eating out of his hands”.

Ever since George claimed fame in a star role in *Wogs Out of Work*, he has had an extraordinary impact on our popular culture. Labelled as a pioneer of ethnic humour in Australia right from the start, his Greek heritage continues to inspire the roles he takes on and his comedic performances.



In the Australian production of *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang the Musical*, he played a Vulgarian Spy and in The Production Company’s award winning show, *Nice Work If You Can Get It!* he stole the show as bootlegger Cookie McGee. His comedy show, *Straight Outta Compo*, performed nationwide in 2017 with Joe Avati, Tahir and Rob Shehadie, received five star reviews. He and his co-stars received two ACE awards for Best Comedy for their *Il Dago* shows and were nominated in the Best Comedy Category for their *Wildwogs* production.

George’s theatre credits include *The Resistable Rise of Arturo Ui* for the MTC, *The Queen and I*, *An Evening with Merv Hughes* and Guy Masterson’s production of *12 Angry Men*.

George’s film credits include *Alex and Eve*, *Big Mammias Boy*, *Thunderstruck*, *Bloody Footy*, *Fat Pizza*, *Housos The Movie*, *Closer and Closer Apart* and *Joey*. George also appeared on the TV series *It’s A Date!* In the controversial mini-series *Underbelly*, George played the role of George Defteros – the lawyer to Melbourne’s underworld.

In 2009 George appeared as a regular panelist on the very popular SBS show *The Squiz*.

In Adelaide he is best known for his barista stalking character ‘George’ in the extremely popular RAA ads which ran for over 12 seasons.

## Client testimonials

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“ Kapiniaris fires up a party atmosphere single-handed.

**- The Advertiser**

“ George Kapiniaris is a very engaging performer... loved by Aussie audiences ... he gives his audience what they paid for — big laughs.

**- MC Reviews**

“ George Kapiniaris is an outstanding performer ... he is a rare talent that has audiences eating out of his hand ... it is definitely worth seeing Kapiniaris in full flight.

**- The Territory News**

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