

## **CELIA PACQUOLA**

Celia Pacquola is a chameleon – a stand up comedian, writer and actor who springs effortlessly between stage and screen and has become one of our best-loved and most in-demand performers in any genre.

Celia first picked up a mic as a Raw Comedy contestant in 2006 and has since been nominated twice for the Melbourne Comedy Festival Award and won the Amused Moose and Helpmann Awards. She hosted the Melbourne Comedy Festival gala in 2016 and has appeared on *Live At the Apollo* and the *Just For Laughs Montreal Gala*.

Three of Celia's solo shows have been recorded as specials: *The Looking Glass* for Stan in 2018; *All Talk* was released globally on Amazon Prime in 2020 and in October 2021 her special *Let Me Know How It All Works Out* became available on Paramount+.

Celia won the Best Supporting Actress AACTA for her role as Dolly Faraday in the acclaimed ABC1 drama *The Beautiful Lie*. She starred in the AACTA award-winning *Laid*, Logie Award-winning drama *Offspring* and in all five seasons of Working Dog's *Utopia*, for which she won an AACTA Award in 2015.

She made her feature film debut in 2019 with the smash hit NZ film *The Breaker Upperers*, created by Madeline Sami and Jackie van Beek and produced by Taika Waititi. In 2019 Celia also made her theatrical debut, starring in Black Swan State Theatre/Sydney Theatre Companies' production of the seldom-seen Australian feminist classic – Oriel Gray's *The Torrents*.

TV audiences would know Celia from her appearances on *Spicks and Specks*, *The Project* and most frequently *Have You Been Paying Attention?* (as the program's most regular guest) and more. Internationally, Celia has been a guest on *Never Mind The Buzzcocks*, *Chelsea Lately* and *The Rob Brydon Show*. Celia appears in both seasons of Binge drama series *Love Me* and wrote an episode for its second season. *Nude Tuesday*, a feature film in gibberish with subtitles written by Celia and Ronny Chieng, is now streaming on Stan.

She was the 2020 winner of **Dancing With The Stars** on Network Ten, taking home \$50K for her chosen Charity Safe Steps Victoria.

In 2016 Celia co-created, co-wrote and starred in the smash hit comedy **Rosehaven** with Luke McGregor for ABC-TV. Over the show's five seasons, she won the 2017 AACTA for Best Performance in a Television Comedy, was nominated twice for Most Popular Actress at the Logies, as well as two AWGIES and numerous further nominations. In 2021 the much-loved series aired for its fifth and final season. You can currently catch up with Rosehaven on both ABC iView and Amazon Prime.

Celia is the host of the beloved comedy improvisation series *Thank God You're Here*, which made a smashing comeback on Network 10 in 2023 and will return with a sixth season in 2024.

This year, Celia debuts her first live show I'm As Surprised As You Are in five years. A lot has happened in her life, including making a quiche for the first time and also a baby. She's got a lot to tell you.

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"one of our most gifted stand-ups at the top of her game" The Age

"A comic who can step to the level of Tina Fey" Herald Sun, Melbourne

"Pacquola has a well-established comedy career... here, she proves to be an instinctive and deadpan funny actress." **The Age, Green Guide** 

"Pacquola doesn't just hold her own, she owns every scene she's in." The Sydney Morning Herald

"Endlessly charming, furiously honest and beautifully written stand-up from the Aussie" The Independent, (UK)

"Strong stand up...consistently fine routines...her writing is tight, the performance engaging." The Scotsman (UK)