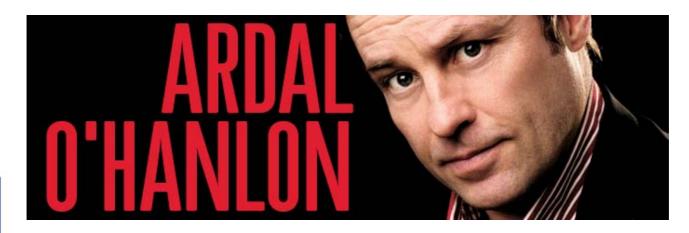


STAR OF ABC TV'S FATHER TED & MY HERO



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Multi award-winning comedian and actor **Ardal O'Hanlon** is one of the most acclaimed artists in the comedy industry. He returns to Australia for a national tour in April 2011 (having last toured over three years ago to total sell out shows) and follows a critically acclaimed run at the **Edinburgh Festival** and a hugely successful UK tour.

Ardal O'Hanlon has an extensive list of both acting and comedy television credits and although best known for his starring roles in the sitcoms, **Father Ted** and **My Hero**, is first and foremost a stand-up comedian.

A spellbinding fusion of off-beat stories and polished material combine to make Ardal's stand-up act a hilarious journey touched with life enhancing observations and unexpected twists. His sheer originality and talent ensure that there is no other performer quite like him.

"He is a complete joy to watch"

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A founding father of Dublin's Comedy Cellar, the spiritual home of Irish comedy, he moved to London where he quickly won the Hackney Empire New Act of the Year. Since then he has continued to perform to sell-out audiences in the UK and around the world (from Australia to Zambia not to mention tours of US and China).

As well as Father Ted, Ardal's TV credits include leading roles in comedy dramas such as **Big Bad World** and the **Ben Elton** penned, **Blessed.** He has played a cat creature in Dr Who, a cameo part in **Skins** and three series' of **The Stand Up Show** on BBC. On Irish television, Ardal has presented a number of documentaries and is currently starring in the sitcom **Val Falvey TD**. Movie roles have included **Another Bobby O'Hara Story**, **The Butcher Boy** and the lead role in award winning short film **Flying Saucer Rock n Roll**.

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He has also written a bestselling novel, **The Talk of the Town** (on the Best Seller lists for a full year) and was included in the influential tome, **1001 Books to read before you die.** The book was released in America, renamed Knick Knack Paddy Wack where it reprised the UK success.

It was, however, his consummate starring role in three series' of the BAFTA winning series **Father Ted**, which initially propelled Ardal in to public attention with his hilarious portrayal of **Father Dougal McGuire**. This role also won him the Top Television Comedy Newcomer in 1995 as well as nominations for Best Actor in 1996 and Top Television Personality and Best Actor in 1997, 1998 and 1999, along with Best Comedy Actor at the 1999 BAFTA Awards.

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