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# JEFF DUNHAM

## FIRST AUSTRALIAN TOUR 2009

*"...the most popular standup comedian in the US..." TIME MAGAZINE May 29, 2009*

<b>SYDNEY</b>	<b>STATE THEATRE</b>	<b>FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6</b>
Bookings: Ticketmaster 136 100 or <a href="http://www.ticketmaster.com.au">www.ticketmaster.com.au</a>		
<b>MELBOURNE</b>	<b>HAMER HALL</b>	<b>MONDAY NOVEMBER 9</b>
Bookings: Arts Centre Box Office 1300 182 183 or <a href="http://www.theartscentre.com.au">www.theartscentre.com.au</a> or Ticketmaster 136 100 or <a href="http://www.ticketmaster.com.au">www.ticketmaster.com.au</a>		
Tickets \$79.90 – Booking fee may apply.		
<b>Tickets on sale 9am Tuesday 18 August, 2009</b>		

There are many sides to the comedic genius of JEFF DUNHAM who has risen in recent years to become a genuine entertainment phenomenon. His international 360-degree reach includes record breaking television specials, staggering DVD sales in excess of 4 million, 350 million views on You Tube (including over 2 million from Australian fans!), a current merchandise company that enjoys brisk sales of nearly 50 JD items and a publishing deal that will see the publication of his first book this year.

Ever increasing legions of devoted and highly active fans savour Dunham's concert appearances, television shows, DVDs, CDs and You Tube clips over and over and fervently spread the word on an entertainer who is not just a favourite with but beloved by his followers. His widespread fame has led to Dunham to sign a multi platform deal with Comedy Central to encompass all areas of entertainment including television, DVD, a stand up special, consumer products partnership and a 60 city Comedy Central Live stand up tour. There is no wonder why TIME MAGAZINE calls him the most popular stand up comedian in America.

It's all because Jeff Dunham is not just one of the funniest humans on the planet, but the ring leader of a cast of comedic characters of his own creation, like Walter the Grumpy retiree; the beer-swilling NASCAR, loving and resolutely redneck Bubba J; the furry and manic Peanut; Jose Jalapeno, the spicy pepper from South of the Border; and the bumbling skeletal Achmed the Dead Terrorist. Taking his cues from the stuff of everyday life, people we all know and the world around us, Dunham brings alive his suitcase posse of sidekicks with such believable and lovable personality that audiences frequently forget the characters are created by Dunham's own hand and comedic brilliance.

Dunham has struck content partnerships with Amazon.com, iTunes and You Tube in the wake of his stunning triumphs in recent years. His concert dates in the US sells out theatres and arenas with 7,000 to 10,000 capacities and receive rave reviews. Last year Dunham sold out headlining major venue shows at the prestigious and star studded Comedy Festival in Las Vegas and the Just For Laughs festival in Toronto as well as selling out arenas in London, Stockholm, Oslo and Norway.

Frequent guest appearances on The Tonight Show and Late Night with David Letterman primed him, but what was instrumental in bringing his career to new levels of comedy success over the last two years was the strong bond he has forged with his fans. His Achmed The Dead Terrorist clip is the 4<sup>th</sup> most watched video across the internet with over 195.5 million worldwide views.

Dunham is now the third highest earning comedian in America behind Jerry Seinfeld and Chris Rock. But, he is not only one of the funniest humans on the planet, but the ring leader of a cast of comedic characters of his own creation. He uses the famous puppets Peanut, Jose Jalapeno, Walter, and Achmed among others to keep millions around the globe laughing heartily with his sharp yet always humane and lovable humour.

*"They are not coming out to see a ventriloquist," ... he says of the audiences at his consistently sold out shows... "They're coming out because they love the characters. As a stand up comic, it is my job to make the majority of people laugh and I truly believe that comedy is the last true form of free speech and that laughter can heal many wounds."*

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