



Partial list of festival clients

COMEDY

- Brisbane International Comedy Bonanza
- Edmonton Comedy Arts Festival
- Kelowna International Comedy Festival
- Vancouver International Comedy Festival

FRINGE

- Adelaide International Fringe Festival
- Edmonton International Fringe Festival
- Vancouver International Fringe Festival
- Winnipeg International Fringe Festival

CHILDREN'S

- Regina International Children's Festival
- Vancouver International Children's Festival
- Vancouver Island Festival for Young Audiences
- Winnipeg International Children's Festival

ARTS

- Main Street Fort Worth Arts Festival
- Oklahoma City Arts Festival
- Utah Arts Festival
- Waterloo Arts Festival

MUSIC

- Dawson City Music Festival
- Glastonbury Music Festival, England
- Riverbend Music Festival, Chattanooga
- Vancouver Folk Music Festival

AGRICULTURE FAIRS

- Calgary Stampede
- Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto
- Pacific National Exhibition, Vancouver
- Royal Easter Show, Sydney, Australia

STREET PERFORMANCE

- Daidogei World Cup in Shizuoka, Japan
- Edmonton Int'l Street Performers Festival
- Halifax International Buskers Festival
- Los Angeles Street Performers Festival
- New York Buskers Fare, NYC
- Shrewsbury Int'l Street Theatre Festival

CHECKEROLOGY 101

Unexpected enthusiasm and engagement. That's what'll stop you in your tracks as you walk up to one of The Checkerboard Guy's performances, that and wanting to find out what everyone else is laughing so much about.

There's an anticipation, a palpable 'what's going to happen next' in every aspect of how this comic daredevil delivers his material and this suspense drives a curiosity that audiences around the world have been drawn to for over three decades.

Three completely different comic daredevil finales provide an immense diversity of performance options. Be it juggling dangerous objects atop a giraffe unicycle, manipulating flaming torches while standing on a slack rope or executing daredevil jumps on a motor scooter, the objective is always the same - Laughter.

Part Muppet, part stand-up comedian, part skillful circus performer, part live action cartoon character, this architect of guffaws, breaks down the performer audience barrier in a show that turns audiences volunteers into heroes right before your very eyes and has everyone cheering. It's a knock down, roll around, bust a gut sort of spectacle that'll leave audiences young and old clamoring for more and walking away repeating their favorite parts from the show over and over again.

“This Guy walks a fine line between alternative theatre and sickly-sweet Disney material - kind of like a live-action episode of The Simpsons.”
-Tom Zillich, The Westender

“...an exuberant daredevil, a real, inspirational laugh-riot.”
*-Mike Ross
 The Edmonton Sun*

AWARDS

- People's Choice Award Winner at the Ottawa Buskers Festival
- Winner of The Most Original Act Award at Buskers Halifax
- Four-time Winner of the People's Choice Award at the Kingston Buskers Rendezvous
- Two-time Winner of the Best Over-All Act at the Kingston Buskers Rendezvous

CHECKERABILITIES

- Juggling everything from balls, clubs, ping-pong balls (with his mouth), bowling balls (not with his mouth), torches, medieval battle axes and even stinky shoes
- Manipulating everything from cigar boxes, top hats, shaker cups, spinning plates and balls, cracking whips, and some wicked balloon origami
- Mounting and/or riding giraffe unicycles, stilts, free-standing ladders, tight and slack ropes and super stunt scooters
- And let's not forget the ancient arts of kendama and knibbling!

“The Checkerboard Guy is a talented kingpin who makes audiences more-than-smile and producers shine.”
-Ted Killmer, International Street Theatre Entrepreneur

VIDEO

Video content can be accessed directly on thecheckerboardguy.com