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A **BEGINNERS GUIDE TO MAKING MONEY FROM BEING FUNNY**

Being a comedian can be a great way to earn a living if you have a gift for making people laugh, even though it can be a challenging and highly competitive industry.

And Jacob Sharpe is proof that you can chase your dream and make it come true, even when life throws you a curveball you were never expecting

A regular on the comedy circuit, he has played gigs at leading Canadian venues Yuk Yuks and The Comedy Bar.

And he has also starred on the bill at The Chicago Theatre, Zanies in Nashville, and The Wilbur Theatre in Boston.

Jacob says: "I wasn't super shy or nervous in school by any means. I was very hyperactive and I was very loud. But I think I was more annoying than I was funny! I remember always trying to make people laugh.

"But I never decided, 'I think I'll be the funny guy.' I did my first set when I was 17 years old. Today, even though I have performed for hundreds of thousands of people and they usually laugh at my jokes, I think, 'I'm not the funny guy!'"

Jacob's set is rather unusual in comparison to some of his other fellow comedians. He was diagnosed with a life threatening brain tumor at 25, and after going through treatment, uses his experience as the bedrock of his material.



He really is proof that if you know how you can get a laugh out of the most unexpected situations.

Here's Jacob's beginner's guide to turning your passion for telling jokes into a money-making career.

Start With Open Mic Nights

Performing at open mic nights is one of the best ways to get started in the comedy industry. I literally went to school to learn how to do open mic nights! Usually, you can appear for free, and comedians can perform for a few minutes. Building your confidence on stage and getting feedback on your material are all great benefits of open mic nights.

Build Your Brand

The key to succeeding as a comedian is to establish a strong brand that distinguishes you from other performers. A consistent image, message, and style are essential. When you have a strong brand, you can attract fans, book gigs, and stand out from the crowd. Social media can also really help. I have over 100,000 people watching my gigs and sets on Youtube. It's a great way to build an audience.

Book Gigs At Local Venues

As soon as you've built up a following and some material, you're ready to book local gigs. There are many venues that host live events, such as comedy clubs, bars, and coffee shops. Be prepared to provide samples of your material and references from other gigs to bookers or event organizers if they are interested in booking you.

Go To Industry Events

Attending comedy festivals, conferences, and showcases is a great way to network in the industry. It can be a great way to meet other comedians, industry professionals, and potential fans, and it can also lead to new gig opportunities and exposure.

Develop Extra Skills

Your comedy performances can earn more money if you develop additional skills. Consider becoming an MC or host, writing material for other comedians or performers, or writing or consulting about comedy. Having a diverse skill set can provide you with new opportunities to earn income and advance in your career.

Take advantage Of Online Opportunities

Increasing usage of social media and online content has led to new income opportunities for comedians. Start a YouTube channel, (like me) upload content to social media platforms, or offer virtual performances. Making money from comedy content is easier than ever thanks to the internet.

Josette & Ba Luvmour -

Leaving Strong Impact on Children Development Program



Children's development programs are designed to support the physical, cognitive, social, and emotional growth of children. These programs can take many forms, including early childhood education, after-school programs, and sports and recreational activities.

The importance of children's development programs cannot be overstated. During the early years of life, children's brains rapidly develop, and experiences during this time can have a lasting impact on their future development and well-being. Child development programs can provide children with the support and stimulation they need to reach their full potential.

In addition to supporting children's physical and cognitive development, human development concepts can also help to promote social and emotional skills, such as teamwork, communication, and problem-solving. These skills are essential for children as they grow and navigate their relationships with others.

A large number of children's development specialists and consultants are helping parents, teachers, and caretakers to leave a great impact on children's overall development. One prominent example comes from a husband-wife duo, Josette Luvmour and Ba Luvmour - professionally known as Luvmour&Luvmour.

Husband and wife duo, Luvmour and Luvmour, have been in business since 1984. They work in the fields of teaching, writing, consulting, public speaking, and human development. Their areas of expertise include Natural Learning Relationships, human development, relationship-based education, adult transformational learning, consciousness studies, and the reciprocal development of adults and children. The pair places a premium on the well-being of children and their parents and caretakers. The couple, who met each other in 1979, has been researching and investigating consciousness together. They developed a method for personal growth called Natural Learning Relationships, which involves understanding and evolving consciousness throughout life. They have utilized Natural Learning Relationships in their work as educators, including in experiential learning programs and schools, since the 1980s.

The husband, Ba Luvmour, started his career in the late 60s. In 1968, he became a 4th-grade teacher at the Philadelphia Public School System. He later worked as a director and master teacher at Ramayana Preschool in 1984. Ba Luvmour founded and served as a director and master teacher at Whispering Pines Charter School from 1995 to 1996. From 1995 to 1998, he coordinated the Teen and Toddler Program, emphasizing child development. Ba was EnCompass School's executive director from 2000 to 2002. He taught education courses at Portland State University from 2008 to 2014. From 2011 to 2020, he taught at GITL. From 2013 until 2017, Ba co-founded Summa Institute and headed Summa Academy.

On the other hand, Josette Luvmour started her career as a community preschool co-director after traveling, studying, and raising her kid for years. She and her husband started Luvmour Consulting, LLC in 1984 to provide Natural Learning Relationship consultancy to children, families, and individuals. She coordinated the Teens and Toddlers program at Whole Family Vision with Ba Luvmour and Laura Huxley from 1995 to 1998. She developed experiential learning programs for Nevada City students and families. She also served as a co-founder and director of EnCompass Learning Center in Nevada City, California, from 1984 to 2003. In 2013 and 2014, she worked at Portland State University's CEU department after teaching CEUs at the National College of Naturopathic Medicine from 2008 to 2010. Josette co-founded Summa Institute and directed Teacher Training, Professional Development, and Research Core from 2013 to 2017. Josette mentored and taught Natural Learning Relationships and the Evolution of Consciousness at the Graduate Institute for Transformative Learning from 2011 to 2019. She taught and mentored at Transformative Learning Foundation in 2019. Josette has mentored master's students and taught affiliate faculty at Antioch University since 2016.

Luvmour&Luvmour have been serving society by providing consultancy in Natural Learning Relationships. There are a number of benefits to natural learning relationships, both for individuals and society as a whole. For individuals, natural learning relationships can help foster creativity, independence, and problem-solving skills and promote physical and emotional well-being. For society, natural learning relationships can help create a more connected and engaged community and promote environmental stewardship and sustainability. Josette & Ba Luvmour have left a prominent impact on the development of children, parents, educators, and society as a whole. In addition, the couple has authored several books to teach Natural Learning Programs to the masses.

Exploring the History and Tradition of Australian Outback Hats



Australia's Outback is a unique and diverse ecosystem, full of rugged beauty and fascinating wildlife. Its deep roots in the country's history and folklore have resulted in an array of traditional clothing items that embody its spirit. One such item is the classic Australian Outback hat.

Australian Outback hats, otherwise known as Akubras, are a type of wide-brimmed hat that have been part of the Australian working man's wardrobe since the early 20th century. These simple but iconic hats were originally designed to protect workers from the harsh sun in Australia's outback regions and have since become an integral part of the nation's identity.

In this article we will explore the history and traditions that surround these unique headpieces and learn why they remain so popular today.

History:

The origin of the typical Australian Outback hat can be traced back to the 1850s when immigrants from Europe began to settle in Australia. These new settlers wanted a sturdy hat to protect them from the harsh sun and frequent droughts of their new home, so they created what would become known as the iconic Australian Outback hat. This style features a wide brim made from oiled leather or felt, along with reinforced stitching for extra strength, and a chin strap to keep it secure in windy conditions.

The name "Akubra" is derived from an Aboriginal word meaning "head covering". The original Akubra was first developed in 1870 by Benjamin Dunkerley, a British hatmaker who had emigrated to Australia. He designed a hat with a generous brim and comfortable fit that was suited to the needs of workers in the harsh outback environment. The Akubra quickly caught on, becoming an essential part of the outback worker's wardrobe.



Tradition & Significance:

The Australian Outback hat has become an important part of the country's history and identity over the years. It is often seen as a symbol of resilience and hard work, as well as being closely linked with the pioneering spirit that made Australia what it is today. The popularity of this type of hat also extends beyond its historical significance; it has become a staple item in many fashion collections due to its timeless style and practicality.

The Akubra has become a symbol of Australia's pioneering spirit and is now worn by everyone from farmers and stockmen, to city folk who want to embrace Aussie culture. The hats are made from a range of materials including rabbit fur felts, beaver pelts and wool blends. They come in a variety of styles including the classic "bushman" shape as well as more modern cuts like fedoras and pork pies. Each hat is finished with a leather hat band and a metal Akubra badge for identification.

Today:

In recent years, the popularity of the Akubra has seen it become an international fashion statement. They are now worn all around the world by people who appreciate their classic style and Australian heritage. They have also become something of an icon in popular culture with celebrities like Johnny Depp, Russell Crowe and Sarah Jessica Parker sporting them in films, television shows and music videos. The Akubra is even said to be one of the oldest surviving hat brands in existence today!

Popularity & Variations:

Today, there are many variations on the original design available to suit different tastes and occasions. From simple felt hats with a brim to more elaborate designs featuring bright colors and patterns, outback hats are available in a wide range of styles. They can also be made from various materials such as straw, wool, and canvas.

Conclusion:

The Akubra Outback hat has come a long way since its humble beginnings in the 1850s. It has gone from being an essential tool for protecting against the harsh Australian sun to becoming a global fashion icon and symbol of resilience and hard work. From farmers and stockmen, to city folk and celebrities alike, these iconic hats are appreciated around the world for their classic style, practicality, and Australian heritage.

THE INSPIRING STORY OF AREN CALHOUN

Aren Calhoun's journey is nothing short of inspirational. Born and raised in a small town in Delaware, he transformed his love for fitness into a thriving business that inspires people around the world. His company, Forgetting Average LLC, has become a household name, motivating individuals to break free from their limitations and pursue their dreams.



Aren's journey began when he realized he could turn his passion for fitness into a career. He started sharing his workouts on social media, hoping to inspire others. However, he soon realized that to make an impact, he needed to do more. He began marketing himself and his brand, which resulted in brand endorsement deals, and soon, his brand began to gain more recognition.

The most fulfilling aspect of Aren's job is witnessing others succeed. His company has helped countless individuals and businesses expand their reach and achieve their goals. He believes that everyone has the potential to achieve greatness, and his mission is to help them unlock their potential and build generational wealth. Despite his success, Aren has encountered several obstacles along the way. He has had to learn how to work with individuals who do not share his vision and acknowledge their fears. However, he has always maintained his perseverance and resilience, recognizing that failure is a necessary step towards success.

Aren's advice to aspiring entrepreneurs is to invest in themselves and their brand. He believes that taking calculated risks and stepping outside of one's comfort zone is crucial to achieving success. He also encourages entrepreneurs to learn from individuals who have already achieved their goals and to never give up on their aspirations.



In the next five years, Aren envisions himself speaking to thousands of individuals, inspiring them to break free from their limitations and build generational wealth. He believes that being of service to others is the key to success.

In conclusion, Aren Calhoun's journey is a testament to the fact that with determination, hard work, and the right mindset, anything is possible. His message of "forgetting average" and striving for greatness is one that we can all learn from and apply to our lives. Keep up to date with Aren through his Instagram.

Daytime talk show "Rachael Ray" will end after 17 seasons

After 17 seasons, the daytime talk show Rachael Ray will end its run.

The Emmy-winning program will end after host Rachael Ray launched Free Food Studios, a new production company that will focus on producing "in the kitchen content."

"In my more than 20 plus years in television, I have had 17 wonderful seasons working in daytime television," Ray said in a statement on Friday. "However, I've made the decision that it's time for me to move on to the next exciting chapter in my broadcast career."



She continued, "My passions have evolved from the talk show format production and syndication model to a platform unencumbered by the traditional rules of distribution. I am truly excited to be able to introduce and develop new and upcoming epicurean talent on all platforms. That is why I am looking forward to putting all my energies into my recently announced production arm, Free Food Studios. Thank you to all of our Rachael daytime show partners, crew and affiliates, and the wonderful years we all worked together."

The 2006-launched Monday-Friday talk show offered advice from the host, celebrity interviews, entertainment, cooking, and makeovers.



In an interview with The Hollywood Reporter that took place in September 2021, Ray gave an explanation for her show, stating, “We like that family feeling, and I think that’s evident when we do have celebrities on, and you often see the same folks over and over again. We feel close to them, we feel like we built something together.”

The celebrity chef and Food Network host will also be inducted into the Broadcasting & Cable Hall of Fame in May for her accomplishments on television.

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