

TV or not TV



Reviews

“Excellent!! Should be more of it! The children were rapt in the performance.”

St Josephs, Wandal, Rockhampton QLD

“Educational value – enormous; Entertainment value – excellent.”

Farmborough State School, Yeppoon, QLD

THE PERFORMANCE

Can you imagine life before television???

“TV or not TV” is an innovative, inspiring and action-packed show about how Australians entertained themselves before 1956 and what children can do now without the idiot box.

Mic Conway combines music, comedy, circus tricks, juggling, illusion, puppetry and tap dancing to encourage children to use their own imagination and resources. We discover through TV fanatic little Rodney there’s more to life than TV as Mic takes us back through history with an old time radio show, gramophone music, dancing, a mini-melodrama, magic, circus, bush and Aboriginal music. In addition, Mic demonstrates the endless possibilities of creating and improvising music and theatre from household objects.

This fun-packed show is full of surprises and involves the audience in the performance and the discussion that follows.

THE PERFORMER

ARIA award winning **Mic Conway** is an innovative performer who has worked extensively in music, theatre, film, television and theatre-in-education. Working in Australia and internationally, Mic started in **Captain Matchbox Whoopee Band**, co-founded **Circus Oz**, and has appeared in numerous films and television shows. He has recorded many albums and CDs (two gold records) and has fronted **Mic Conway’s National Junk Band** for over ten years.

Born into a family of vaudeville, theatre and opera performers, he brings many skills to his shows including: music, magic, tap-dancing, juggling, fire-eating and puppetry.

Mic has regularly appeared on various children’s television shows, including **ABC for Kids**, **The Wiggles**, **Humphrey Bear** and is even the voice of **Wags the Dog** in **The Wiggles** TV shows and DVD’s.

A favourite part of Mic’s performances has always been the making and playing of home-made instruments which has inspired the DVD (booklet included) **Making Music with Anything**. <http://www.micconway.com>

MIC 'MICROPHONE' CONWAY

DURATION: 50 minutes	SUITABILITY: Years K-6
2009 PERFORMANCE COST \$4.00 per student \$0.40 gst \$4.40 Total	2009 PERFORMANCE MINIMUM 100 STUDENTS \$400.00 per show \$ 40.00 gst \$440.00 Total
2008 PERFORMANCE COST \$3.50 per student \$0.35 gst \$3.85 Total	2008 PERFORMANCE MINIMUM 100 STUDENTS \$350.00 per show \$ 35.00 gst \$385.00 Total

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An amusing one person show about how Australians entertained themselves prior to the event of television. Mic Conway combines music, comedy, circus tricks, juggling, illusion, puppetry and tap dancing to demonstrate the variety of ways in which this is done.