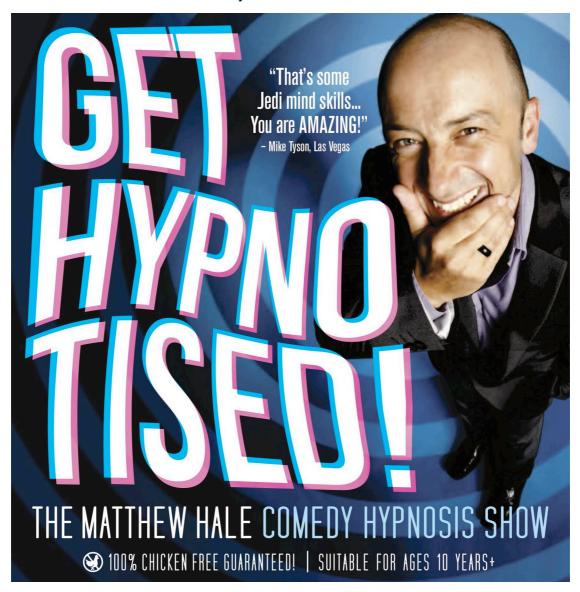
# Get Hypnotised! The Matthew Hale Comedy Hypnosis Show By Matthew Hale



PRESENTER'S INFORMATION



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#### **COMPANY PROFILE**

Matthew set out to showcase this unique, fun and fascinating art in a modern tasteful way, in which all those who take part feel proud and amazed about their participation, and along with those watching, have a night they'll talk about for years in a positive way. With years of shows under his belt from the smallest of country towns, to cruise ships, to huge corporate gigs for some of Australia's biggest companies, Matthew's sense of fun engages and amuses a whole wide range of audiences.

Alongside the shows, Matthew also runs various seminars/workshops on Memory, Stressbusting, Weight Loss, Quit Smoking and more in which he guides attendees how to make the changes they want easily with his special set of mind techniques.

#### **ABOUT THE SHOW**

### SHOW SYNPOSIS

In this fun, family friendly and tasteful show that your audience will talk about for a long time to come, expect to see hypnotised volunteers transported into bizarre car journeys, talking alien and unleashing talents they never knew they had.

Combining the fun of total audience participation with the incredible abilities of the mind, Matthew turns the traditional hypnosis show on its head, highlighting the talents and creativity of the volunteers for big laughs instead of embarrassing them. No two shows are ever the same!

Winner of 3 national comedy awards, Matthew regularly travels between Australia, Vegas and the UK and has hypnotised people all over the world. He's appeared in media as diverse as the UK's tabloids, BBC, ABC, Today Tonight and has been included in the National Film and Sound Archive and Ripley's Believe It Or Not. He has also released his own range of hypnosis CDs.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

On the road, the show consists of Matthew and his wife Kathryn, who between them look after everything on and off stage.

Matthew Hale – performer

Kathryn Preston – technical/general assistant

## **BIOGRAPHIES**



# Matthew Hale - Comedy Hypnotist

Winner of 3 national comedy awards, Matthew Hale is a professional stage hypnotist based in Australia. Having hypnotised people around the world from London to Vegas (where even Mike Tyson told him 'You are AMAZING!'), Matthew currently provides his show for events of all sizes.

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In addition to his live shows, Matthew trains stage hypnotists in the USA, has released his own range of hypnosis CDs, and conducts group seminars on a variety of subjects including memory, stressbusting, motivation, weight management, and smoking cessation.

He's appeared in media as diverse as the UK's tabloids, BBC, ABC, Today Tonight and has been included in the National Film and Sound Archive and Ripley's Believe It Or Not.

Matthew's shows are fast paced, funny and full of your guests. Both audience and volunteers will have an amazing experience that they will remember for a long time, (and the ones that didn't volunteer will probably leave thinking about doing so next time!).

#### PERFORMANCE SPECIFICS

#### **DURATION**

90 minutes - no interval

# SUITABLE VENUES

The show can be run in any venue large or small where a group of chairs can be set down for show volunteers, however most common venues for touring are town halls, theatres and rec centres.

# MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES PER WEEK

7 performances full show. More if using a multiple shorter show daytime ag show/outdoor fayre format.

# MINIMUM BREAK BETWEEN PERFORMANCES

120 minutes

# LICENCING AGREEMENTS

NONE

#### **APRA OBLIGATIONS**

Casual license may be required

# **TOURING PERSONNEL**

The touring party consists of 2 people.

Name	Role
Matthew Hale	Performer
Kathryn Preston	Tech/coordinator/assistant

# PERFORMANCE HISTORY

Year	Venue	Number of performances
2014	Country Arts WA – regional tour	16 shows over 5 weeks
2009-present Hundreds of shows in a wide variety of venues big and small		

#### **AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT**

#### **OVERVIEW**

# **Matthew Hale's Marvellous Memory Workshop**

A fun workshop designed to promote healthy and active mind use in the community, with instant results that attendees will amaze themselves with and be able to use immediately. I normally also include a Q and A about hypnosis as people always have plenty of questions they want to ask about it!

# **DESCRIPTION / DETAILS**

**Duration:** 45 to 60 minutes

Maximum workshop size: No limit Age group: High school to adult

# **Workshop Description**

- Comedy Hypnotist Matthew Hale demonstrates and teaches techniques for instantly improving your memory skills in a fun and friendly format
- Matthew will show participants how to remember long lists, names, strange/foreign words, study techniques etc
- Matthew will teach some simple techniques to never forget where you put your phone, keys or wallet etc again!
- The workshop is very interactive, with attendees amazing themselves with their newly acquired memory skills!

# Requirements

- The Presenter needs to supply a suitable space for the workshops.
- The room must be a large enough room or equivalent for the participant numbers involved.
- Chairs for those attending (tables not necessary for attendees)
- A whiteboard and a small table for Matthew

An attending supervisor will be required for each workshop.

# COST

No fee – offered for free to venues/communities presenting the The Matthew Hale Comedy Hypnosis Show

# TARGET AUDIENCE FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

High school to adult

#### MARKETING

#### MARKETING COPY

One line

Fun, family friendly, and 100% Chicken Free Guaranteed!

#### Short

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#### Extended

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# MARKETING SUMMARY

Posters, photos, press releases available. As Country Arts WA created their own posters/flyers/tvc for the recent tour, an arrangement may be able to be made to use that. Some raw video show footage is available to use in TV commercials. The show always creates a lot of media interest and Matthew conducts many press and studio interviews - the option for Matthew to hypnotise people for in-studio on-air interviews has proved incredibly popular,

and a fantastic way to promote the show. I am very active on social media and will engage ahead of the show with the presenters facebook page, posting and responding to others' posts.

#### MEDIA QUOTES

"That's some Jedi mind skills... You are AMAZING!" – Mike Tyson, Las Vegas

"Your performance was outstanding You have great energy!. Thoroughly entertaining" - Glenn Wheeler, Channel Seven's The Morning Show

"Fantastic time. Haven't stopped talking about it since" – Nova FM

#### **AUDIENCE REVIEWS**

"Brilliant, brilliant evening. We had such a good time. Haven't laughed so much in ages and ages. Wonderful, absolutely wonderful"

Made me laugh more than I have done in a long, long time"

"Such a good night. Still laughing.."

"Great show, really enjoyed it! Never seen anything like it!"

#### COLLEAGUE RECOMMENDATIONS

Carla Steele - Performing Arts Touring Officer, Country Arts WA 08 9200 6203

Philippa Maughan Manager, Performing Arts Touring, Country Arts WA 08 9200 6205

#### PRESENTER REVIEWS

"Your professional team provided all the expertise we needed to ensure the quality of the event we were presenting. Thank you for your professionalism, it was a unique show that had a huge impact on our small regional community. We still have people talking about their experience. You, the show and your crew had a lasting impact on Jurien Bay. We would not hesitate to re-book your show and would love to see you back soon. Our audience members have commented on the quality and information contained in your products they purchased after the show, which has added to the whole experience. Putting smiles on people faces, transporting them away from the troubles, providing a unusual form of entertainment and highlighting the importance of different art forms to our community were just a few of the outcomes achieved by hosting your show. We can't thank you enough for making yourself available to our small regional & rural community"

Regards
Andrea Gray
Cultural & Administration Officer
Jurien Bay Community Resource Officer

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"Let me just say that it was both a great honour and pleasure to work with you guys. I think you would have been forgiven had you been a little grumpy and tired after 5 weeks of touring the state but instead you were all friendly and just genuinely lovely people to meet. From the moment you arrived in town (and even on Facebook before that!) you were prompt, professional, approachable and very friendly. I truly hope that I have the privilege of working with you again sometime in the future. Thank you for bringing your humour and intriguing talents to our small town!!

Thank you thank you thank you!"

Jodie Karra, Administrative Services Officer Shire of Yilgarn

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"Thanks so much for bringing the Get Hypnotised! Show to Onslow. We have only heard real positive comments and how everyone really enjoyed themselves, and there has been great excitement with the kids on how much they laughed at me on the stage. I was amazed at not only the amount of people who turned up, but the people who wanted to volunteer to get on the stage. It was awesome!

It was a really positive experience for the community – just what we all needed. Thankyou"

Apryl Longford Senior Activity Officer PO Box 20 Onslow WA 6710

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"Matthew was very professional to work with, he was on time, approachable and very thorough with set up to ensure the performance was the best it could be.

He put on a great workshop for both our senior schools in town which the students thoroughly enjoyed and gained some new study techniques from. The show was amazing, we didn't have a stage big enough for all the volunteers and everyone in the audience was engaged from start to finish. I would highly recommend Matthew's show to anyone looking for something out of the box that is hilarious — big belly laughs were had by all!"

Cheers.
Chris Lane
Events & Venue Coordinator
Shire of Broome

# VIDEO LINKS

General demoreel http://youtu.be/FWfELQ\_e5Vg Country Arts Shows On The Go TVC http://youtu.be/1cTbjUquP68 Radio interview – non stop laughter http://youtu.be/tJJ4\_pPHNhE

Radio interview – ABC alien guest

http://www.abc.net.au/local/videos/2014/02/27/3953479.htm?site=kimberley Radio interview – strange movie reviews http://youtu.be/lYbGck\_Dwnw

Some raw footage – some of which is seen in the Country Arts SOTG tv ad above is available

# **IMAGES**

Headshots and general promo shots here: http://www.matthewhale.com.au/media-photos.html

Various show shots available on request. A few examples below:



Photographer: Kathryn Preston



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CONTENT WARNINGS / AUDIENCES TO AVOID NONE

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TEACHER'S RESOURCES NO

#### PRODUCTION DETAILS

#### **TECHNICAL SUMMARY**

# PROVIDED BY THE PRODUCER Sound:

2 x JBL Eon 510 powered speakers

2 x EV ZLX15P powered speakers

1 x Behringer mixer

1 x Shure SM58 Wireless handheld mic

1 x Shure SM58 wired mic

All leads/stands as required

# Lighting:

2 x LED 4 par bar with tripod, tbar and controllers

#### PROVIDED BY THE PRESENTER

Minimum Performance area: 5m wide x 2m deep

Appropriate stage that will allow artist and audience participants to be seen by audience. The stage should be large enough for subjects to be active during the performance, without the chance of them falling off stage. Steps to stage. For small functions it is possible to work on a floor space rather than a stage, just as long as the audience have a clear view.

1 x male dressing room or change area.

General power output

Minimum 15 to maximum 30 straight back, armless chairs arranged on stage/performance area in a semi circle (half moon shape) facing the audience. Exact number based on your audience/stage size.

1 x small table for side of stage.

1 x table for merchandise sales in foyer or back of room.

#### IF PRESENTER HAS INHOUSE SOUND/LIGHT:

Require a professional sound system suitable to cover entire function area INCLUDING stage/performance area. It is important that there is sound coverage over the entire stage/performance area as this is an audience participation show and participants must be able to hear. Stage monitor speakers may be required if volunteers' chairs can't be placed in front of the main speakers.

This system should contain:

1 x wireless handheld microphone (Matthew can supply on request) The ability to plug Matthew's laptop audio out into the PA system which is accessible side of stage by Matthew during the performance

# Lighting:

A lighting system or existing venue lighting adequate to cover the working area of the stage.

# Setup times/Soundcheck

Allow 2 hours bump in before 'doors open' 90 minutes to bump out. Allow 10 minutes for soundcheck.

# Performance scheduling

As this is an audience participation show, it is important to your event's success that no food is being served, eaten or cleared during the performance.

#### CREW REQUIRED FROM VENUE

Minimal. Venue crew only required if presenter providing sound/light.

#### **FREIGHT NOTES**

For touring with self contained AV, we will only need to travel in a small minibus (last tour used a 12 seater Toyota Hiace Commuter). Does not require loading dock access.

## **CRITICAL ISSUES**

As this is an audience participation show, it's important to the success of the show that no food being served, cleared or eaten during the show.

#### CONTACTS

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We are a husband and wife team and can both be contacted for all aspects of show enquiries.