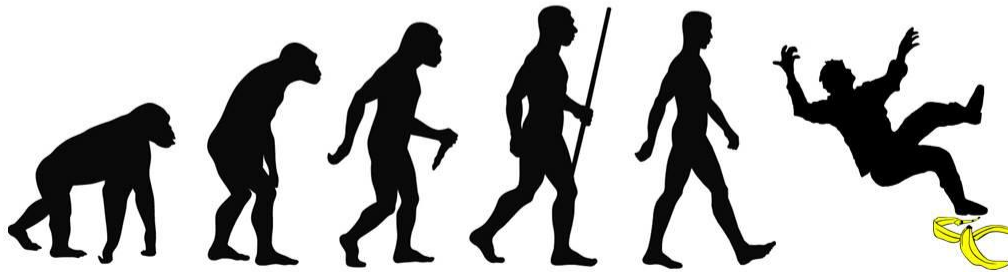


The History of Ha!

with David Misch



Ripped from the pages of his award-eligible “Funny: The Book / Everything You Always Wanted To Know About Comedy”, David Misch presents “The History of Ha!”, a some-holds-barred survey of absolutely everything funny that’s ever happened, in an hour. (FDA Advisory: Some funny things not included.)

Beginning in pre-history with the mythological Trickster, David looks at how comedy went from Ancient Greece to “Modern Family”, from court jesters to Groucho Marx, from Plato & Aristotle to Abbott & Costello. With stops along the way for commedia dell’arte, a French fartist, and how comedy killed Abraham Lincoln, Mr. Misch uses clips and commentary to look at what comedy is, where it comes from and where it’s going (oddly enough, Philadelphia).

Among David Misch’s TV and movie credits are the Emmy-nominated “Mork & Mindy”, the Emmy-losing “Duckman”, the Emmy-engorged “Saturday Night Live”, and the Emmy-ineligible “The Muppets Take Manhattan”. He’s the author of “Funny: The Book / Everything You Always Wanted To Know About Comedy” and is also a playwright, songwriter, blogger, teacher and recovered stand-up comic, and has lectured at Yale, Oxford University, the Smithsonian, the University of Sydney (Australia), the VIEW Cinema Conference (Torino, Italy), Austin Film Festival, Burbank Comedy Festival, USC, UCLA, AFI, Lucasfilm. Too much more at davidmisch.com, not to mention (yet here I am mentioning) funnythebook.com, [funnythebook](https://www.facebook.com/funnythebook) (Facebook) and [@funnythebook](https://twitter.com/funnythebook) (Twitter).

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