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SHOW INFO

SlideShow is a spontaneous entertainment show which sees two teams of Australian personalities and improvisers compete in a series of games. It's loud and fun – with unpredictably hilarious results!

Hosted by Grant Denyer, this riotous new program takes its cue from favourite board and parlour games, requiring teams to improvise songs, dances, mimes and sketches.

Acclaimed comedians Cal Wilson and Toby Truslove are SlideShow's fearless team captains. Each week they recruit well-known Australian personalities who dare to venture out of their comfort zone for the viewer's entertainment.

Rounding out the teams will be some of Melbourne, Australia and the world's best improvisers to whom audiences will warm for their quick wit and generous humour.

In episode one, Australia's funniest refugee Anh Do and teen heartthrob Johnny Ruffo along with Tiffany Hall and Geoff Paine take to the tilting stage.

Based on a successful new format from France and produced by Shine Australia, audiences can expect the unexpected!

SlideShow is coming soon to Channel Seven.



HOST

GRANT DENYER

“This is such an exciting new concept. We’re not changing lives or giving away big cash prizes. It’s pure entertainment,” says Grant.

On the surface Grant’s hosting role is simple – introduce the audience to the rules of the game. However, because the games are improvised Grant has as much idea as the audience about what’s about to happen next – and he is laughing along with them!

The ability to keep it together on camera while dealing with the unexpected is a skill Grant has mastered over his years of live television.

In 2003 Grant started his nine year tenure with Channel Seven’s Sunrise, as weather presenter. He has since delighted audiences with his unique brand of reporting. Earlier this year, Grant folded up his weather map and departed from Sunrise for the final time.

Grant has hosted Channel Seven’s Australia’s Got Talent, It Takes Two, The Guinness Book of Records, Iron Chef, Greatest All-time Aussie Bloopers and was a commentator during Seven’s telecast of Sydney Olympic Games. He also holds Dancing with the Stars’ season four championship title.

Away from the cameras, Grant spends time at home with wife Cheryl and their daughter Sailor.



TEAM CAPTAIN

CAL WILSON



“Like any parlour game, on SlideShow there’s that beautiful humour when everyone else is in on the joke and the person guessing the answer is getting it wildly wrong!”

Stand-up comedian, radio and television personality Cal Wilson admits the games on SlideShow present a challenge. “The games put a series of obstacles in your path when you’re trying to accomplish a task. Say you’re miming a series of proverbs for your other team members to guess, except you’re doing it while hanging five metres up in the air on a trapeze!”

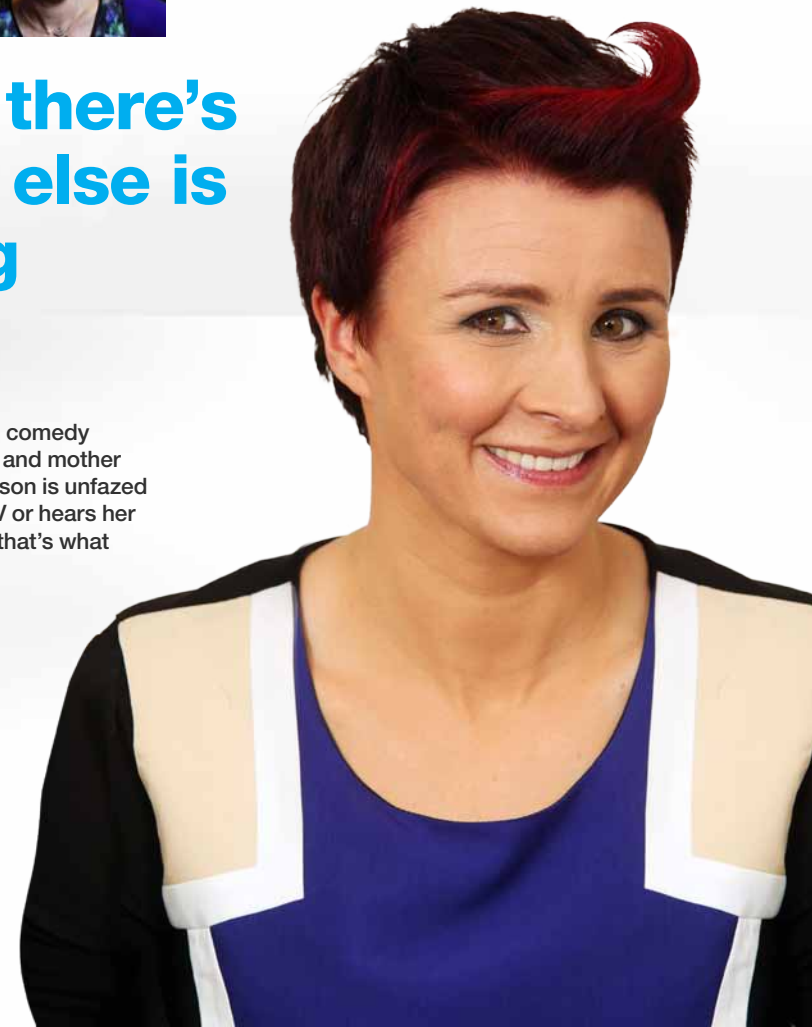
As an accomplished comedian in New Zealand, Cal kicked off her love affair with Australia in 2001 when awarded Best Newcomer for her first performance at Melbourne International Comedy Festival. She has been a drawcard at the festival ever since. In 2003 Cal made a permanent move to Melbourne.

Since then, Cal has been a mainstay on television panel shows including SkitHOUSE, Glasshouse, Spicks & Specks, Rove Live, Thank God You’re Here and Good News Week. Cal competed in the seventh season of Dancing with the Stars in 2008 and in 2009 hosted Sleuth 101.

Cal has been a regular on radio since 2006. Starting off as a guest on Triple M’s Get This, Cal later co-hosted Nova FM’s national drive show ‘The Wrong Way Home with Akmal, Cal and Ed’ and later Nova 100 Mornings with Dylan Lewis.

Last year Cal appeared on UK comedy quiz show ‘QI’ and went on to tour Europe with the live version.

Outside of her television and comedy commitments Cal is married and mother to four-year-old Digby. Cal’s son is unfazed when he sees his mum on TV or hears her on the radio. “He just thinks that’s what mummies do,” laughs Cal.



TEAM CAPTAIN

TOBY TRUSLOVE



“This show is like all the best bits of mucking around playing games with your family at Christmas - without any drunken uncle.”

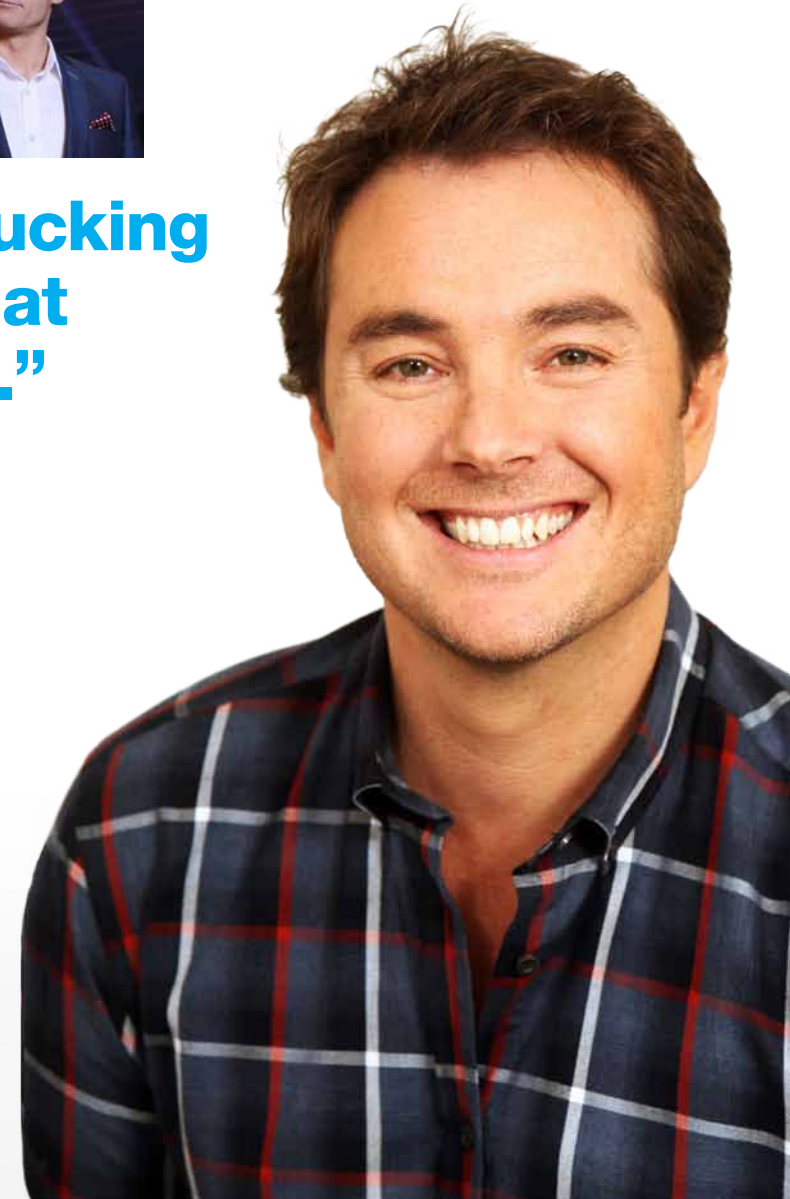
Theatre, TV and film actor Toby Truslove says he brings idiocy, stupidity and chaos to SlideShow because it puts his celebrity guests at ease. “Our job is to make our team mates feel that it’s okay to be silly by being silly ourselves.”

A self-proclaimed latecomer to acting, Toby gave up studying psychology to pursue theatre studies. By the mid ‘90s Toby was a regular on the Western Australian theatre circuit before the director of Bell Shakespeare convinced him to relocate to Sydney for work – where he has been based ever since.

In 2000 Toby landed his first major TV role playing Bryan Rossieter on Crash Palace. From there he went on to add a series of screen credits to his resume with guest appearances on All Saints, McLeod’s Daughters, The Strip, Thank God You’re Here, The Librarians and Tangle.

In 2012 Toby appeared in back-to-back ABC comedy series Laid and Outland. Toby also starred in feature SCUMBUS and web series Strange Calls.

When offered the role of team captain on SlideShow Toby admits the games won him over. “It’s just - ‘here’s the game, it’s going to be two minutes, you’ve got to guess this and you’re set in an aquarium. Go!’ You don’t know what’s going to happen.”



GAMES GLOSSARY



SLIDE ON OVER

The showpiece game takes place inside an incredible sliding room set at a 22.5 degree angle. Each team acts out an improvised scene (with the occasional prompt from Grant) while negotiating the incline, resulting in plenty of thrills and spills!

PHOTOMIME

One teammate looks at a screen and mimes out the image projected for their team members to guess. The image may be anything from an object to a well-known personality.

LET'S DANCE

A fun interlude where one team member dances to 15-second snippets of six well-known songs, in rapid succession.



TRAPEZIER SAID THAN DONE

A team member suspended from the roof by a harness acts out common expressions for their team mates to guess – all while being lifted higher and higher off the floor!

ABC STORY

All three team members act out a scene where every new line must start with the next letter of the alphabet. The first sentence starts with “A”, the next with “B” and so forth. Watch out for “X”!

LOST FOR WORDS

One team member wears a pair of headphones and sings along to the song as best they can – only no one else can hear the music!



SHADOW PUPPETS

Two team members are placed behind a shadow screen with props to mime out a movie title for their third team member to guess.

FLASH MOB

This quick audience participation game involves each team leading their half of the crowd in a dance-off.

DANSWERS

One team member tries to get their team to guess a word - all while being twirled around by a professional dancer! Watch out for cameos from Dancing with the Stars' Carmelo and Jess.



ALPHA BODY

This game involves two team members lying on the floor and contorting their bodies in unison to create letters that can be seen from an overhead camera.

DRAWN OUT

A team member sketches while the other team members guess what they're drawing.

JUST SAY IT

One team member must get the other to guess certain words by explaining them – all while acting out a scene together.

SLIDE SHOW

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER – CHANNEL SEVEN

MARYANNE CARROLL

MaryAnne began her producing career in live comedy stage shows and festivals, including Edinburgh Fringe, and both the New Zealand and Melbourne International Comedy Festivals. She developed and produced ABC doco What's So Funny?, worked with Paul Hester on comedy/music show Hessie's Shed, and produced all the local Comedy Channel content for several years whilst at Artist Services/Red Heart Prod.

Since 2004 she has been the Series Producer of All Saints, City Homicide and Winners & Losers for Channel Seven, and now works as Executive Producer of Comedy.

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER - SHINE AUSTRALIA

SUSANNAH MOTT

With a career spanning almost 20 years in television Susannah has produced panel shows, both live and pre-recorded, scripted comedies such as Kath and Kim, Newstopia and Russell Coight's All Aussie Adventures, small studio interview shows and big scale studio productions such as Thank God You're Here and Deal or No Deal.

Beginning as a runner in 1994 with Working Dog, she has held most production roles in television, and on the feature films, The Castle and The Dish. As she began her working life as a nurse, if anyone needs their blood pressure checked, she can do that too.

Susannah recently returned from 12 months overseas to take up the role of Executive Producer on SlideShow.

SHINE AUSTRALIA

Shine Australia is part of the Shine Group, one of the world's fastest-growing and most successful creators and producers of media and entertainment brands.

Shine Australia was formed in January 2010 to produce premium scripted and unscripted content, and is led by CEOs Mark Fennessy and Carl Fennessy.

Based in Sydney, Shine Australia's team comprises proven leaders in television and digital production whose shows have become rating hits. Shine Australia's slate represents the most exciting and popular programming on Australian free-to-air networks and pay TV channels.

Shine is now expanding into scripted drama with a handful of new commissions – the first of these being the Seven Network mini series Never Tear Us Apart: The Untold Story of INXS.





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