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High Phildelity

In a culture that contains many different forms of comedy from stand-up and sketch to musical acts and ventriloquism, one style of comedy that has largely been absent in the past: clean comedy. Join Phil Andrews as he tackles the highs and lows of relationships and shows that you can get laughs without offence.

In a festival swarming with comedians trying to be edgier and more provocative than each other, it seems hard to believe; Comedians who forgo the shock tactics and bad language, relying on nothing but their wits to get laughs? Do such performers exist? "Yes, we're something of a rarity," admits Phil Andrews, one of such comedians, "but that's one of the reasons why I enjoy comedy. I enjoy showing people that it's out there and it is an option when you're choosing which show to see."

So why no swearing? "I'm just not that sort of guy," Phil explains. "I got into comedy to make people laugh, not swear a lot and offend people. I didn't want to do anything onstage that wasn't true to who I was offstage." This inoffensive approach to comedy has proved remarkably popular with audiences. "I've been in a few clean comedy shows in the past, and people love it." Phil says. "There's a lot of people out there who just want to have a good laugh without worrying about what the comedian might say." Working clean has ensured Phil's act has very wide appeal, and being so accessible has seen him perform for all sorts of audiences in all sorts of venues. "I do perform at a lot of Churches and Christian events," says Phil, "but with a clean act I can perform anywhere. I regularly perform everywhere from Comedy Clubs and Pub to appearances on radio."

"High Phildelity explores the ridiculous things I tend to do and how I discovered who I was while also discovering how someone else is while in the stages of relationships." Phil says of his first solo show. And he does just that and more as he explores where he has come from to where he is heading and everything inbetween.

"...solid stand up sets..." - Chortle

"...comical and interesting..." - Comedy Beast

"Four Stars" - Herald Sun

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VENUE

The Butterfly Club
204 Bank St
South Melbourne, Victoria 3205

DATES: 29 Sept - 1 Oct

TIME: 10.30pm (50min)

TICKETS

Full: \$22.00

Concession: \$19.00

Group: \$18.00

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