

Comedy in Motion

with Bob Cates

Missionary-turned-entertainer Bob Cates, is an award-winning clean comedian and variety artist. His memorable interactive comedy show includes advanced juggling, wild unicycling and balancing skills, black light laser effects, illusion and an insane 24 plate spinning finale (using real breakable plates) that you will remember for a long long time. Bob Cates, a **Canadian Juggling Champion**, physical & clean comedian comes from humble roots as a pig farmer's son. He was honored to win **Best Variety Act** at the **Canadian Comedy Awards** in 2018. He was also twice nominated for **Best One Man Show** by the **Canadian Comedy Awards**. In 2016, Bob was awarded **National Entertainer of the Year** at the **Canadian Event Industry Awards** after 4 previous nominations. The Canadian Event Industry Awards are widely acknowledged as the pinnacle mark of professional achievement, and the highest honor a Canadian event professional can earn. Bob, a resident of Cambridge Ontario was twice awarded "**Best Entertainer of the Year**" at the **Molson Canadian F.E.O. Awards**. He won the Most Difficult Trick Award at the RIT New York Juggling Festival and has been a special guest performer at the Israeli Juggling Convention and several National Youth Conventions in the Canada and the United States.

His performances are split between cruise ships, corporate and gala dinner special events, and churches or ministry events. He has headlined on almost every cruise line over the last 18 years totaling 250 weeks at sea. When performing for churches or ministries he sometimes presents the show only, giving audiences what they long for but often never get: a clean amazing and funny show. Other times, when he has the opportunity to speak after his performance he clearly shares the gospel.

Bob taught himself to juggle in high school and went on to earn a diploma from the Baptist Leadership Education Centre in Toronto and a Bachelor of Commerce degree from McMaster University. After graduation he was a missionary for seven months in Lithuania with IFES, the European version of Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship, and upon returning to Canada in 1995, went full time as an entertainer. Bob's wife Jane is a full time partner in the business and travels with the show, working both on stage and off, taking care of many things behind the scenes. Bob and Jane homeschool their 10 year old boy, who has already retired from show business.

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