

Comedy in Motion

with Bob Cates

BIO

Farm boy-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 comedian and new vaudevillian comes from humble roots as a pig farmer's son. After two previous nominations, he was awarded **Best Variety Act** by the **Canadian Comedy Awards** in 2018. He was also twice nominated **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 honour 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. The Comedy in Motion show is much more than a stand up routine, and involves a great deal of physical skill which has taken years to hone. He is one of few performers left in North America performing authentic plate spinning – his signature piece. Overall, the show is very fast paced, highly interactive and uses situational comedy and advanced skills to keep audience members of all ages on the edge of their seats right to the very end.

Bob taught himself to juggle in high school and continued to practice hard through college and university when he **won the Canadian Juggling Championships**. He went full time after graduating and hasn't looked back since. His performances are now 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 20 years totaling 250 weeks at sea.

Bob met his wife Jane in 2006 when she hired him for a show! They married in 2007 and is now a full time partner in the business and travels with the show as stage manager and performer. She has been awarded "Employee of the Month" every month since June 2007! Bob and Jane have a fun loving 9 year old boy, who has already retired from show business.

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