

Charlie Hale

Charlie became a professional footballer with Manchester City F.C at the age of 15, unfortunately due to injury after three years, he had to retire. From there a succession of jobs including Taxi Driver, Labourer and Car mechanic followed. (He became known as the manic mechanic, for he was always impersonating people and cracking jokes! He even tried to become a boxer.

In 1986 he formed the comedy duo Hale & Harty and after four successful years Charlie decided time was right to try a solo career. In 1992, Charlie's career took off. He began doing various television shows, including ITV's "What's New", Channel 4's "291 Club", ITV's "The New Comedians" and for the BBC, "Hangar 17". In the past few years Charlie has had his own show on Sky TV, and is a regular guest on Sky Sports. Following the ITV comedy show, "Who do you do", he starred in BBC 2's 'A Force', both writing and performing on the satirical show "Blouse and Skirt". Other TV appearances include "Elvis has left the building" a TV pop quiz, and "The 1998 New Comedians Live", both for Granada TV. Charlie was featured on BBC2's "Windrush Gala Concert" screened by BBCTV in 2000.

Projects recently completed by Charlie, and successfully screened on Man.Utd TV include "Wild about United" and "Reds Replay", which was an hour long talk about Charlie's career both as Comedian and Footballer.

Charlie is much in demand on the after dinner speaking circuit, where he performs his own brand of comedy, (being able to provide Sporting Voices amongst his many impressions). He is also a gag and speech writer for other celebrity speakers.

If you need a comedy entertainer just that little bit different then Charlie Hale is for you, His puppet routines have become world famous!

Quotes

"A Cavalcade of Comics THE STAGE

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Breath of Fresh Air THE STAGE

Charlie Hale comes as a breath of fresh air to those of us who do not want to listen to all the racial nonsense that is now totally passe' in comedy, yet don't want toilets, bodily functions and boring politics shoved down our throats. Hale who is already receiving a lot of television interest, delivers the comedy goods with ease. He is not a 'shout & charge-around merchant', he seems to prefer reliance on the strength of the material, and the skill of delivery.

***Charlie's live work has taken all over the country, but perhaps more importantly, he has the ability to work almost any situation, with a clean, politically correct act, that is both topical, yet traditional, varied, yet versatile, and above all – funny.
Perfect for your event!***

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"Hale makes impression "THE STAGE" (*Theatrical Newspaper*). Charlie Hale had the full measure of his audience and soon had them eating out of his hand.

In addition to being a good gag teller he's got a fair old line in impressions, Nelson Mandela, Chris Eubank, David Beckham, Mike Tyson and that was barely half of it. The audience loved him! not only was he funny but also he was clean."

At the Grand Hotel in Scarborough organised by Sky Television Charlie performed at a boxing dinner. Charlie stormed the night with his boxing impressions and very topical gags.

After performing for over an hour he thoroughly deserved his standing ovation. (*Boxing promoter Frank Maloney*)

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Since gaining the coveted "Greenhall Whitley Comedian of the Year" award in 1990, Charlie has gone from strength to strength, working the length and breadth of the country, including visits to Northern Ireland, Germany, and Spain

His qualities as a stand up comic were showcased in 1992 when Granada TV brought 'The Comedians' back, but his real talents lie in his comedy impressions of politicians, soap stars, pop stars and sportsmen.

In particular his superb send up of Chris Eubank, equalled only by Chris himself! Charlie's sheer brilliance has led to various TV shows including his own ½ hour show on Sky One.

Some of the names Charlie has worked with on TV are Beverly Knight, Shola Alma, Roland Gift (*Fine Young Cannibals*), Heather Small (M People), Mica Paris, Grace Jones, Robbie Williams on Hanger 17.

Charlie's act has already taken the corporate world by storm and coupled with his own sporting background (he is an ex pro footballer) he has proved a huge success on the After Dinner market. Charlie's flexibility allows him to entertain any type of audience.

Charlie's appeared on five tours with the greatest middleweight boxer ever, Marvellous Marvin Hagler.

In conclusion Charlie is always in demand, as he is a clean and honest comedian (*ask his accountant*) who does not swear and is the same whether he is entertaining a family audience or five hundred men at a sporting dinner.