

Vinnie Coppola

The Press Kit

Vinnie Coppola: Bio (The short Story)

Vinnie Coppola started doing stand-up comedy during his sophomore year at Flagler College in St. Augustine, FL at The Conch House Grill and Marina Thursday night amateur showcase. For almost a full year he never missed a single Thursday night and as a result he gained the respect of his peers quickly and developed a reputation for being very creative and highly experimental. It wasn't long before he was booking paid spots at local comedy clubs and hired by businesses to perform at their corporate events.

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Vinnie Coppola is one of the founding members of the Jacksonville, FL Comedy Zone Comedy Workshop and he helped develop the Make-Me-Laugh Monday comedy shows - both of which are still going strong to date. He has appeared on the Nashville Network, HBO's Entourage, Comedy Central, The RFD Network's Larry's Country Diner and Turner South's Liar's and Legends. He is a regular guest on several syndicated morning shows including The John Boy and Billy Big Show, Rick and Bubba and Bob and Sheri.

Vinnie Coppola: Bio (The Long Story)

Vinnie Coppola's love affair with the stage started in the fourth grade when he was cast in the school play as "The Ghost of Jacob Marley" in Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol. This first "landmark event", combined with his incompetence at sports ultimately steered him towards the performing arts.

During his sophomore year at Flagler College, Vinnie discovered a Thursday night open mic showcase at one of his regular hangouts. Six days later he was performing stand-up comedy on that stage - and continued every week after that for close to a year. He quickly developed a reputation for being creative and highly experimental and it didn't take long before he was booking paid spots at local comedy clubs and being hired by area businesses to perform at their corporate events.

His comedy is mostly observational but from a cynical, uniquely skewed and charmingly naive perspective which can only be described as "Vinnie Coppola". His persona onstage is his real secret weapon. Vinnie is extremely likable up there and this allows him to always connect with an audience. In addition, his ten plus years of experience "on the road" as a professional stand-up comedian have made him an incredibly versatile performer. Whether it's a one-night stand in a bar, the "bluest" of comedy clubs or the "G" Rated cleanest of corporate shows - Vinnie Coppola is consistently successful.

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Vinnie Coppola: Quick Facts

- * Vinnie Coppola does not come from a broken home.
- * Vinnie's parents and siblings are not dysfunctional.
- * Vinnie has never been arrested or been to Jail.
- * Vinnie has never abused any substance or spent time in rehab.
- * Vinnie's primary reason for touring the country is not to find a date.
- * Vinnie does not need the stage as a means of therapy.
- * Vinnie never cancels a show.
- * Vinnie never needs an advance even though he is always underpaid.
- * Vinnie never whines.

Vinnie Coppola: Testimonials

"Vinnie Coppola is more than just a funny comedian, he is also a professional in an industry which at times lacks for professionalism."

- **Jamie Bendall, owner, The Punchline - Atlanta, GA**

"Vinnie Coppola does it all and he does it well..."

- **The Gargoyle Newspaper**

"Vinnie Coppola is one of my most requested acts. He is a true comedy pro and his professionalism on and off the stage is second to none. The Hit Man is who I call to anchor a great night of comedy."

- **Brian Heffron, President, Heffron Talent Int.**

"Vinnie Coppola is a comer. Every time he performs at The Punchline he gets funnier. Keep your eye on him."

- **Ron DiNunzio, founder, The Punchline - Atlanta**

"Vinnie Coppola has the persistence and originality to go far in this business. He is a welcome addition at The Comedy Catch anytime."

- **Michael Alfano, owner, The Comedy Catch**

"Vinnie Coppola is a promising kid..."

- **Jacksonville Today Magazine**

"Vinnie Coppola is a nice Italian boy. Funny. Very Funny. If he were ever to get 'whacked' for something it would be an honor to have him 'whacked' at the Stardome."

- **Bruce Ayers, owner, The Stardome**

"I work with other comedians only when Vinnie Coppola is not available."

- **James Gregory, The Funniest Man in America**

"The most important man of the decade..."

- **Barack Obama, President of the United States**

Vinnie Coppola: Highlights

Anheuser-Bush

TruGreen ChemLawn

Philip Morris USA

The Tallahassee Libertarian Party

The US Navy

The Italian Americans Veterans Association

The International Merit Tour

NAS - Bermuda

Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Roosevelt Roads NAS - Ceiba, Puerto Rico

Florida State University

UNC - Wilmington

Miami University

Florida International University

The Coral Springs Civic Center

The Don Gibson Theater

The Newberry Opera House

Renfro Valley Entertainment Center

Bijou Theater

The Riviera Hotel and Casino

The Rising Sun Casino

The Atlantis - Nassau, Bahamas

Casino Magic

Trump's Castle

Harrah's

The Comedy Zones

The Punchline

Charlie Goodnights

Comedy Off Broadway

The Improvs

The Stardome

The Funny Bones

Complete list of venues, corporate and colleges available upon request.

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