

JOHN CLARKE
established New Zealand, 1948

Stage:

Satirical Revues. Writer/performer
 Victoria University, 1969
 Downstage Theatre, 1970-71
 One In Five, 1971
 Hannah Playhouse, 1974

The Bed-Sitting Room. 1973, Downstage Theatre.
 As You Like It, 1973, Downstage Theatre.
 The Dragon, 1974, Downstage Theatre.

Cabaret. Ace of Clubs, Auckland, five seasons, 1975,76

National Tour. New Zealand, July-October 1976. Wrote
 and performed. Promoted by Concert Promotions. Ian Magan.

Entertainer of the Year. New Zealand, 1976

Scriptwriter for Australian Tours: Bette Midler, Danny la Rue, Peter Allen
 1980-83

Humourists Read Humourists. 1987-1999.
 Developed show and appeared. With Peter Cook, Barry Humphries, Roger
 McGough, Phyllis Diller, Mort Sahl, etc.
 For Melbourne Comedy Festival.

A Royal Commission into Corruption in Victoria. 1989.
 Co-wrote with Ross Campbell and played the Judge. With Gerry Connolly,
 Mike Bishop, Alwyn Kurts, Cliff Ellen, Mary Sitarenos, Denise Scott, Rod
 Williams, Peter Green, Tim Smith, Peter Hosking. Directed by Mark
 Sherrifs for the Melbourne Comedy Festival.

A Royal Commission into the Australian Economy. 1991.
 Co-wrote with Ross Campbell. Produced by Belvoir St
 Theatre, with Andrew Denton, Hec McMillan, Kerry
 Walker, Sue Ingleton, Geoff Kelso and Paul Blackwell.
 Directed by Bruce Petty.
 Melbourne Production with Marg Downey, Mike Bishop,
 Michael Veitch, Gerry Connolly, Gary Samolin, Peter Hosking,
 Sally Cooper. Directed by Frank Gallagher. Extensions included Michael
 Blair, Mary Kenneally, Jo Canning and Sue Ingleton.

Touring Production with Marg Downey, Magda Szubanski, Sue Ingleton, Craig Ashley, Gerry Connolly, Tracy Harvey.

The Frogs. 1992. Adapted from Aristophanes, with Geoffrey Rush. Produced at Belvoir St Theatre, starring Robyn Nevin, Deborah Conway, William Zappa, Paul Blackwell etc

Keating –The Musical. 2006. By Casey Bennetto. Dramaturg.

Snugglepote and Cuddlepie. 2006. Play and lyrics. Adapted from the books by May Gibbs, with music by Alan John. Script editor Doug McLeod. Director Neil Armfield. With Hollie Andrew, Paula Arundell, Ana Maria Belo, Simon Burke, Mitchell Butel, Darren Gilshenan, Jolyon James, Andrew Kolbar, Kris McQuade, James Millar, Lara Mulcahy, Tim Richards, Ed Wightman, Ursula Yovich.

For Belvoir St Theatre, Sydney Festival, Windmill Theatre, Perth Festival.

Film:

The Adventures of Barry McKenzie. London. 1972. With Barry Humphries, Barry Crocker. Directed by Bruce Beresford.

Wild Man. 1976. With Bill Stalker, Bruno Lawrence etc. Directed by Geoff Murphy

Dagg Day Afternoon. 1977. Wrote and performed. Directed by Geoff Murphy

Lonely Hearts. 1981. Co-wrote screenplay with Director Paul Cox. Played Alan.

Blockbuster. Co-wrote with Andrew Knight. Awaiting production

Those Dear Departed. 1986. With Garry McDonald, Pamela Stevenson. Directed by Ted Robinson. Played Inspector.

Footrot Flats. 1987. Animated Feature. Voice of 'Wal'.

Never Say Die. 1988. Directed by Geoff Murphy. Played car dealer.

Blood Oath. (Prisoners of the Sun) 1989. With Bryan Brown, Terry Quinn, John Bach, George Tekai, Tetsu Watanabe, Nick Eadie, Toshi Shioya, Jason Donovan, Russell Crowe, Deborah Unger, John Polson, Directed by Stephen Wallace. Script Editor. Played Sheedy.

Death in Brunswick. 1990. With Sam Neill, Zoe Carides, Deborah Kennedy, Yvonne Lawley, Boris Brjck and others.
Written and Directed by John Ruane. Prod Tim White. Played Dave.

Spotswood. 1990. Written by Andrew Knight and Max Dann. With Anthony Hopkins, Toni Collette, Russell Crowe, Ben Mendelson, Bruno Lawrence.
Dir Mark Joffe. Script-edited.

The Man Who Sued God. 1993. Screenplay developed and written.
Script-Editor Helen McDonald. Sold to Production Company.
Produced by Ben Gannon, 2001, with Billy Connolly, Judy Davis etc

Lust and Revenge. 1995. With Claudia Kavan, Nicholas Hope, Gosia Dobrowska, Chris Haywood, John Hargreaves, Wendy Hughes etc.
Co-wrote with Paul Cox.

Crackerjack. 2001. With Mick Molloy, Judith Lucy, Bill Hunter, Samuel Johnson, Frank Wilson, Peter Arnenson, Bob Hornery, Lois Ramsey, Cliff Ellen, Monica Maugham, John Flaus, Tony Martin, Robin Butler. Dir Paul Maloney. Script-edited. Played Bernie Fowler.

A Month of Sundays. 2015. With Anthony La Paglia, Justine Clarke, Julia Blake. Written and directed by Matthew Saville. Played Phillip Lang.

Television:

Regular Appearances:

Gallery, 1973

Nationwide, 1974-75

Tonight at Nine, 1975-76

Buck House. 1974, Situation Comedy. 6 eps. Script-edited and played lead with John Banas, Cathy Downes. NZBC.

Country Calendar. 1974. Documentary on the Dagg family's life and work.
Wrote and performed with John Banas. NZBC

Commercials. MSD sheep drench, TV Licence, Qantas NZ. 1975,6.

The Wonderful World Of. 1975. Comedy Special. Wrote and performed with Ross Jolly, Bill Rowling, etc. TV1

TV Personality of the Year. 1974, 75.

A Bit of a Dagg. 1976. Variety Special. NZBC.

A Current Affair. 1977. Wrote and performed satirical items. Channel 9, Melbourne.

Words Fail Me. 1979. Wrote and performed Children's Language Programme, with Mary Keneally, Stephen Blackburn, Geoff Brooks, Max Gillies, etc. ABC

Anzacs. 1983. 10 hour mini-series. Co-wrote with Jim Mitchell and John Dixon. Channel 9.

The Fast Lane. 1983-85. 19 eps. Co-wrote with Andrew Knight and others. ABC TV.

The Gillies Report. 1985-86 14 eps. Writer and Performer. With Max Gillies, Patrick Cook and others. Dir. Ted Robinson. ABC TV.

Man and Boy. 1987. Short film. Wrote and Directed. ABC TV.

A Matter of Convenience. 1987. Telemovie. With Jean-Pierre Cassel and Debra-Lee Furness. Dir. Ben Lewin. ABC TV/ Revcom. Played Joe.

Graham Kennedy's News Show. 1988. Wrote with Jim Pike, Ken Stirling and others. Channel 9

Clarke & Dawe. A Current Affair. 1989-96. Wrote and performed weekly satirical items with Bryan Dawe. GTV 9.

Stark. 1992. By Ben Elton. Dir. Nadia Tass. BBC/ABC/Meridian. Played Magistrate.

A Royal Commission into the Australian Economy. 1993. Directed. Co-wrote and co-produced with Ross Campbell for Channel 7. With Magda Szubanski, Marg Downey, Michael Veitch, Jane Turner, Gina Riley, Gerry Connolly, Glenn Robbins, Stephen Blackburn, Geoff Brooks etc

The Problem With Men. 1997. Wrote and introduced with Bryan Dawe. For Beyond Television, ABC Television and TVNZ. Produced by Denise Eriksen. Directed by Bruce Permezel.

The Lano and Woodley Show. 1997. Script Editor. Sitcom series produced by Working Title UK, Marc Gracie, Mark Ruse and ABC Television.

Hessie's Shed. 1998. Beyond Productions and ABC TV. Paul Hester's music

show. With Neil Finn etc

The Games. Series 1, 1998. Finishing Touches Productions and Beyond Productions with ABC TV. 13 Episodes. Co-wrote with Ross Campbell and others. Co-produced and appeared with Gina Riley, Bryan Dawe, Nicholas Bell and others.

BackBerner. 1999. ABC TV. With Peter Berner. Guest.

Clarke & Dawe ABC TV. 2000 -
Wrote and performed weekly satirical items with Bryan Dawe.

The Games. Series 2, 2000. Finishing Touches Productions with ABC TV. 13 Episodes. Co-wrote with Ross Campbell. Co-produced and appeared with Gina Riley, Bryan Dawe, Nicholas Bell and others.

The Micallef Programme. 2000. Guest. With Shaun Micallef.

Quit. Anti-Tobacco Campaign 2002. Wrote and shot 3 TV and Cinema ads with Jeani Meaney, for The Cancer Council.

SBS Business Show. 2002/03. Wrote and performed regular satirical items in the Technical Support area.

Roy Hollsdotter Live. 2002. SBS Drama production written and directed by Matthew Saville. Shot by Laszlo Baranyai. Featuring Darren Casey. Played Mike.

Welcher and Welcher. 2002. ABC Comedy written by Shaun Micallef. Dir Ted Emery.

Stiff. 2003. Wrote screenplay adaptation of Shane Maloney's novel, 'Stiff'. Co-produced as Huntaway Films with Ruby Entertainment for Ch 7. Directed 'Stiff.' Shot by Laszlo Baranyai. Art Directed by Chris Kennedy. Starring David Wenham, Deborah Kennedy, Mick Molloy, Sam Neill, Darren Casey, Denis Moore, Alan Hopwood, Susie Dee, Tamara Searle, Robyn Butler, Ramez Tabit, George Prataris, Julian O'Donnell, Sue Jones, Luke Elliott, Aaron Catalan, Luke Robinson, Any McPhee, Simon King, Tanja Bulatovi, Tammy Fitzgerald, Aiden Fennessy, Sarah Walker, Matt Quartermaine, Alan Brough, Simon Palomares, John Penman, Ruth Callum, Gareth Yuen, Barry Jones, Steve Bracks, John Button, Joan Kirner.

The Brush-Off. 2004. Wrote and appeared in adaptation of Shane Maloney's novel 'The Brush Off'. Co-produced as Huntaway Films with Ruby Entertainment for Ch 7. Directed by Sam Neill. Played Ken Sproule. With David Wenham, Mick Molloy, Deborah Kennedy, Julian O'Donnell, Justine

Clarke, Heather Mitchell, Tracey Mann, Bruce Spence, Joel Torbeck, Steve Bisley, Leah Vandenberg, Julie Forsythe, Ron Falk, Robert Grubb, Gerard Kennedy.

Kath and Kim. 2004. ABC comedy featuring and written by Gina Riley and Jane Turner. With Magda Szubanski, Glenn Robbins, Peter Rowsthorn. Dir Ted Emery.

The Dagg Sea Scrolls. 2006. Retrospective documentary including archival footage etc. RWPL. Broadcast by TVNZ and ABCTV.

ABC TV 50th Anniversary Broadcast. 2006. Hosted and narrated. Produced by Tim Clark and Deb Masters.

The Sounds of Aus. 2007. Documentary. Hosted and narrated. Produced Laurie Zion and Yael Bergman, Princess Pictures. ABCTV.

Sporting Nation. 2012. Documentary series. Wrote, Presented and Co-produced with Princess Pictures. ABCTV.

Clarke & Dawe. 1989-2017. Various broadcasters, as above.

Mental Health Live Broadcast. 2014. ABC TV.

Stop Laughing, This is Serious. 2014. Documentary series. Appeared. Screentime. ABC TV.

A Smile, a Song and a Lump of Wood. 2014. Documentary series. Appeared. Produced by Andrew Goodone.

The Ex-PM. Series 1. 2015. ABC TV. With Shaun Micallef, Lucy Honigman, Nicki Wendt, Nicholas Bell, Kate Jenkinson, Francis Greenslade, Jackson Tozer, Ming-Zhu Hii.

The Ex-PM. Series 2. 2017. ABC TV. With Shaun Micallef, Lucy Honigman, Nicki Wendt, Nicholas Bell, Kate Jenkinson, Francis Greenslade, Jackson Tozer, Ming-Zhu Hii, Vince Colosimo, Ian Smith, Emily Taheny, Jim Daley, Syd Brisbane, Katerina Kotsonis.

Radio:

Regular player. NZBC Radio Drama, 1973-75

Daily broadcasts. (Fred Dagg) 1977-81 ABC, 3RRR, Public Radio Stations. Regular broadcasts, 1985-99.

Clarke & Dawe. Interviews with Bryan Dawe, broadcast weekly, 1987-2017, nationally.

Print:

Material published by National Times, Nation Review, The Eye, Sun Herald, Financial Review, Business Daily, Times on Sunday, The Age, Sydney Morning Herald, The Bulletin, Overland, The Listener, Private Eye, New York Times, Meanjin.

Recordings Released:

The Brian Edwards Show, 1971
 The Royal Wedding Stakes, 1974
 Fred Dagg's Greatest Hits, 1975
 We Don't Know How Lucky we Are, 1975
 Gumboots, 1976
 Fred Dagg Live, 1976
 Fred Dagg's Big Single, 1977
 The Fred Dagg Tapes, 1979
 The Gillies Report, 1986
 Swim Between the Flags 1987
 The Dagg Years, 1988
 The Complete Book of Australian Verse 1989
 Great Interviews of the 20th Century, 1990
 The Annual Report, 1991
 Hazchem, 1992
 Secret Men's Business, 1996
 We Don't Know How Lucky We Are, 1998
 The Dagg Anthology, 1998
 The Games. 1999
 The Games Series 2, The Best Games Ever, 2000
 The Even More Complete Book of Australian Verse, 2003
 The Howard Miracle, 2003
 Fred Dagg – The Taihape Years, 2007

Books Published:

Fred Dagg's Year, 1975
 The Thoughts of Chairman Fred, 1976
 The Fred Dagg Careers Advisory Bureau, 1978
 The Fred Dagg Scripts, 1981
 Daggshhead Revisited, 1982

The Gillies Report Scripts, 1986
 A Complete Dagg, 1989
 The Complete Book of Australian Verse 1989
 Great Interviews of the 20th Century, 1990
 A Royal Commission into the Australian Economy, 1991
 More Great Interviews, 1992
 The Even More Complete Book of Australian Verse, 1994
 A Dagg at My Table, 1996
 Still the Two, 1997
 A Dagg at My Table 1998 (Australian edition)
 The Games 1999
 The Games Series 2, Sharing the Blame, 2000
 The Tournament. 2002. Australia.
 The Tournament. 2003. Britain. Constable.
 The Tournament. 2003. USA. Hyperion.
 The Even More Complete Book of Australian Verse. 2003.
 The Howard Miracle. 2003.
 The 7.56 Report. 2006
 The Catastrophe Continues, 2008
 The Even More Complete Book of Australian Verse. Text Classic. 2012.

Videos Released:

The Video Collection (Clarke and Dawe), 1991
 Bananas in Electorates (Clarke and Dawe), 1997
 The Games, (4 episodes) 1998
 The Games, (another 4 episodes) 1999
 The Games. Sharing The Blame (4 eps, series 2) 2000
 The Games. Bat On (4 eps. Series 2) 2000
 The Games. The End. (5 eps, Series 2) 2000

DVDs:

The Games, Series 1. 2005
 'Stiff' and 'The Brush-off,' boxed set 2005
 The Fred Dagg All-Purpose DVD. 2007.
 The Full Catastrophe, boxed set (Clarke and Dawe) 2009
 The Games, series 2. 2010
 Tactical Response Unit, (Clarke and Dawe) 2010.
 Live from Canberra, 2011
 Operational Matters, 2014
 The Almost Definitive Clarke and Dawe DVD, 2015.
 The Games Boxed Set (26 eps. Both series) 2016

Other:

Director, Huntaway Films Ltd.
Director, Finishing Touches Productions.
Member of Board, Film Victoria, 1983-86
Australian Film Commission Comedy Fund, 1984-86
Curated Exhibition 'The Heidelberg School Picnic' featuring works by Australian cartoonists, at Victorian State Library, 1986
Developed Comedy Directors' Workshop with BBC Director Duncan Wood, Melbourne, 1985.
Patron. Cancer Council of Victoria Art and Literature Awards. 1994-
Member of Council, Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria. 1997-
Member of Board, Westernport Seagrass Partnership, 2000-
Member of Board, Victorian Schools Innovation Programme, 2001-2005
Winner of the Australian Film Institute's Byron Kennedy Award 2004
Hon D Litt., Victoria University, Wellington, New Zealand.
Inducted, Logies Hall of Fame, 2008.

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