

Rod Woodward

Award-winning comedian Rod Woodward has come a long way since his early days warming up studio audiences for ITV Wales.

A finalist in the prestigious So You Think You're Funny competition at the Edinburgh Fringe during his first year as a professional, Rod quickly began receiving praise from comedy luminaries including Peter Kay and Barry Cryer.

After a successful solo run in Edinburgh - where he also wrote and presented the BBC 2W series A Bit Off The Fringe - he went on to front his own BBC Radio Wales show, Doing It For A Laugh, as well as the BBC One Wales special Am I Talking To You? He was soon named Best Newcomer by Variety and went on to win the BBC Wales comedy competition Funny Business.

A major career highlight came in 2014 when Rod was invited to perform at the Royal Variety Performance at the London Palladium for William and Kate, The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge. His barnstorming appearance led to a successful debut tour and a triumphant return to the iconic venue for ITV's Tonight At The London Palladium, where he once again brought the house down.

Rod later completed an extraordinary hat-trick on the world's most famous stage when he joined the select group of entertainers invited back to the Royal Variety Performance, this time performing in front of Harry and Meghan - who, he jokes, stepped back from public duties soon after, though he's "not taking any credit for that!"

Alongside his stage and screen success, Rod is also a highly accomplished host and one of the most sought-after performers on the corporate circuit. Trusted to front major events, he is known for seamlessly blending tailor-made comedy with professional awards hosting - ensuring every occasion runs smoothly, brilliantly, and with a generous dose of laughter.

Rod's career continues to thrive, with ongoing TV appearances, national tour dates, and even a steadily expanding presence in the film industry, where several of his feature-length scripts are now in production.

