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Claire Hooper

Stand Up Comedian / Writer / Broadcaster

Claire Hooper is best known across Australia for her role as a Team Captain on Network TEN's *Good News Week* but now Sydney-siders can also hear her each weekday morning as co-host of Mix 106.5's *The Brighter Side of Breakfast* with Dr Andrew Rochford.

She has also appeared on *Rove Live*, ABC TV's *The Sideshow*, The Comedy Channel's *Stand Up! Australia* and the Melbourne International Comedy Festival's Great Debate with Stephen K Amos and Greg Fleet in 2007.

Claire began her comedy career in Perth in 2004 when she won her state finals of triple j's *Raw Comedy*. In 2005 she was selected to perform in 'The Comedy Zone' at Melbourne International Comedy Festival and won 'Best and Fairest' at the National Improv Championships. Claire regularly performs in comedy rooms across the country.

In 2006 she scored a Best Newcomer nomination at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival for her first solo show, which went on to earn a place in Scotland on Sunday's top five comedy picks of the Edinburgh Fringe. Since then she has written and performed four brilliant solo shows: *Showgirl*, *Storybook*, *Forget Your Troubles*, *C'mon Get Hoopsy* and *One Small Thing* and in 2010 Claire released her first book, *Love Bites* through ABC Books.

She has also written, directed and performed in a number of theatre shows, though not necessarily all at the same time.

"The spritely Hooper shines... her animated expressions and dynamic movement sequences are precision quality."

- Inpress

"marvellously entertaining... ★★★★★"

- Chortle

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- The List

Live Shows

2010	One Small Thing – Solo Show Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival
2009	Forget Your Troubles, C'mon Get Hoopsy – Solo Show Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2008	<i>Storybook</i> – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Darwin Festival
2007	<i>Showgirl</i> – Solo Show Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2006	<i>Oh</i> – Solo Show Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Edinburgh Fringe Festival
2006	<i>The Dead Set</i> – with Xavier Micheledes and Andrew Horabin Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2005	<i>The Comedy Zone</i> – Showcasing Up & Coming Comedians Melbourne International Comedy Festival

Television

2008 -2011	Network Ten	<i>Good News Week</i> (Team Captain)
2010	Network Ten	<i>The Circle</i> (Regular Guest)
2010	Network Ten	<i>Ready, Steady, Cook</i> (Contestant)
2010	The Comedy Channel	<i>The Breast Darn Show in Town</i> (Stand-up spot)
2009	ABC TV	<i>Sleuth 101</i> (Guest Detective)
2009	Network Ten	<i>Ready, Steady, Cook</i> (Contestant)
2009	Network Ten	<i>Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala</i> (Stand-up)
2008	Network Ten	<i>Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala</i> (Oxfam Presenter)
2007	ABC TV	<i>The Sideshow</i> (Cast Member)
2007	Network Ten	<i>Melbourne International Comedy Festival Great Debate</i> (Team member)
2007	Comedy Channel	<i>The Mansion: Australia Day Special</i> (Cast Member)
2007	Comedy Channel	<i>Stand Up! Australia</i> (Stand Up Appearance)
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2006	Network Ten	<i>Rove [Live]</i> (Live cross from Edinburgh)
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2005	Network Ten	<i>Rove [Live]</i> (Stand Up Appearance)
2005	ABC TV	<i>How the Quest was Won</i> (Presenter)

Radio

2011	Mix 106.5 Sydney	<i>The Brighter Side of Breakfast</i> (Breakfast co-host)
2006	Nova 937 Perth	<i>Novanites</i> (Presenter)
2005	RTRFM	"Hanging with Missy Hooper" (Presenter)

Writing

2010-11	Gold Coast Bulletin	Weekly Columnist
2010	Harper Collins Aust ABC Books	<i>Love Bites</i> (Published 2010)
2010	Smart Health	Guest Columnist

2008	Sunday Age	Contributing Writer
2007	Ten Network	<i>Rove</i> (Contributing Writer)
2007	Roving Enterprises	<i>rovedaily.com</i> (Contributing Writer)
2007	ABC TV	<i>The Sideshow</i> (Writer/Performer)

Theatre

2006	<i>A Moment on the Lips</i> – Performer Red Ryder Theatre Company
2005	<i>Big Fun Sometimes</i> – Lead Performer Rechabites Hall
2005	<i>Fairytales on Thin Ice</i> – Writer & Director WA Youth Theatre Company
2004	<i>Hamlet</i> – Director & Designer Hoopla/Perth Theatre Company
2003	<i>The Cat Who Ran</i> – Performer Barking Gecko Theatre Company

Other Notable Live Work

Melbourne International Comedy Festival All Stars Gala - 2010
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 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala 2008 – Oxfam Presenter
 TalkFringe Host – Adelaide Fringe Festival 2008
 Canteen Comedy Gala 2007
 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Debate 2007
 Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow 2006 & 2007
 Perth International Arts Festival Debate 2007
 Support for *Puppetry of the Penis* 2006
 National Improv Championships 2005 & 2006
 “The Big Hoo Haa” Improv Comedy Troupe 2003 to 2006

Claire has also made various stand up appearances on campus and in pubs and clubs across Australia, including The Comedy Store in Sydney, The Comedy Lounge in Perth and The Rhino Room in Adelaide, as well as several gigs in the UK and corporate appearances for for companies such as Telstra, The City of Melbourne, The Professionals, The Australian Womens Leadership Symposium and many more.

Awards

2006	Best Newcomer Nominee – Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2005	Best & Fairest Winner – National Improv Championships
2004	WA State Winner in the RAW Comedy Competition

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