

Chris Dingli

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Chris Dingli trained at Webber Douglas Academy of Dramatic Arts in London. He has spent the last decade in the UK working as an actor in a large number of Shakespeare plays, musicals and other productions in London and Europe.

His stage and film work has seen him work with some of the world's most recognisable names including Michael Bay, Rachel Weisz, Alejandro Amenábar, John Krasinski and Linda Gray.

He has performed under the patronage of the Queen of Spain, worked with Oscar-winner Emma Thompson as executive producer, helped adapt one of Philip Pullman's novels for the stage, and co-starred alongside supermodel Kat Torres on screen.

He has worked with multiple Academy Award winners, Carnegie medal winners, and on world renowned platforms such as the BBC, SKY and USA Network.

His screen credits include *13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi*, *Doctors* (BBC), *Agora* and *Sinbad* (SKY). He starred in and was head writer of the TV series *Comedy Knights TV Shorts*.

Chris rose to prominence in his native Malta starring in the extremely popular TV soap *Becky*, as well as for his performances playing the title role in *Amadeus* and the Emcee in *Cabaret*, both at the National Theatre, Malta.

In 2010 he co-created *Dingle Bells Malcolm Smells*, a semi-improvised comedy show that spawned a series of successful sequels over the years and which could be credited with kick-starting the recent renaissance of Malta's alternative adult comedy scene.

He is currently a producer, performer and head writer of the hugely successful *Comedy Knights*, a satirical sketch show that is performed to packed houses every Christmas. As a result of that show, he was commissioned to write, co-produce and star in a comedy television series, *Comedy Knights TV Shorts*, which aired in the spring of 2015, and which spawned several viral videos.

His original one-man comedy *Bad Dad* has played to both critical and audience acclaim, receiving 5 star reviews in London, the UK and in Malta. *Bad Dad* played the Edinburgh Festival Fringe in the summer of 2017 and will tour to the US and Canada in the spring of 2018.

As a stand-up comedian, his *One Night Comedy Special* sold out in just over 48 hours. He continues to headline stand up comedy events including a stand-up residency at Hard Rock Cafe in Valletta and is a very much in demand as a host and MC for events. He has been Master of Ceremonies for events such as the Valletta Film Festival, the HSBC Annual Summer Concert, and the Malta World Music Festival.

He wrote and directed the circus show *The Hogwallops*, which toured throughout the UK, Italy and Ireland and had successful runs at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe and in London, where it gained excellent reviews. It is currently touring into 2018, with over 300 performances to date.

In the summer of 2016, he played Lonny in the original Maltese cast of *Rock of Ages* to universally rave reviews. The production went on to become Malta's longest-running musical.

In September 2017, he won the Best Actor award at the Malta International Theatre Festival for his performance in the self-penned one-man show, *Battleship*.

He is currently a drive-time co-host on *The Big Drive Home* on Xfm 100.2 and divides his time between Malta and the UK.

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