

About Mack Dryden

Whether your objective is to inspire the troops or just make them laugh 'til they hurt, Mack is a guaranteed hit, as hundreds of thrilled clients happily attest. He's been delighting audiences for years with his relaxed stage presence, hilarious yet inspiring material, and uniquely engaging delivery. As a comedian he's performed on dozens of TV shows, including several appearances on *The Tonight Show*. As an actor he's appeared in several movies and on many other TV shows, including *JAG* and a recurring role as a judge on ABC's *The Guardian*.

Recently he got a standing ovation from 9,000 at the prestigious *Million Dollar Round Table* international conference for financial pros, which led to another triumphant performance for 2,500 financial experts in Macau, China!

Creating hilarious custom humor for each client comes naturally to the former staff writer for *Politically Incorrect with Bill Maher*, and his stories of surviving two battles with cancer, a stay in an African prison, "sharks in showbiz who stab you in the front," and one "near-fatal marriage" are as inspiring as they are laugh-out-loud funny.

Several years ago, after hearing of Mack's harrowing survival stories, a friend asked him to speak to a group of graduating students. Mack's presentation was so moving and funny that he was asked to speak to other groups, and since then has shared his inspiring story and unique, clean humor with thousands at corporate and association meetings nationwide. His ability to create custom comedy constantly amazes. As one client put it,

"You took a dry subject like manufacturing software and made it funny, like you'd been in the industry yourself!"

From humble beginnings as "the funniest paper mill employee in Mississippi," Mack earned a black belt in karate even as he was earning his Masters in Creative Writing. He won two Associated Press writing awards as a reporter in his home state, and finally became a professional comedian whose talent and perseverance landed him numerous TV appearances and got him hand-picked by Bill Maher to write on the acclaimed show. Now he spends his time writing (his humor column has won top prize in its category from Louisville's Society of Professional Journalists two years in a row) and traveling the country bringing his special brand of Motivation, Inspiration and Jubilation to thousands each year. It hasn't been an easy road; but, as he says, "Falling on your face is still moving forward!"