

## SHAUN ELI

Stand-up Comedian & Comedy Writer

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Stand-up comedian Shaun Eli has rightfully been called one of America's smartest comics. Whether it's a story about dining with a vegetarian or successfully fighting a parking ticket in criminal court, master storyteller Shaun Eli shows you that there's hilarity in the ordinary if you approach life with a comedic warp. Job interviews? How about the Ten Commandments? For just about anything he's experienced he has hilarious stories at the ready. With a sense of humor that's both cheerful and universal Shaun has headlined shows on five continents. He starred in "The Ivy League of Comedy Live from the Emelin Theatre" on Amazon and in seasons 1 & 2 of QuickLaffs on Netflix. He also appeared on the Wendy Williams Show where she both praised and bashed him for being a comedian. In 2021 Shaun was the recipient of a major profile in The New York Times.

With a sense of humor that's both cheerful and universal Shaun has headlined shows on five continents. His jokes have been quoted everywhere from the New York Post to Readers Digest to Healthcare Finance News. In both Reform Judaism magazine and the Christian Science Monitor, where he was the subject of the cover story. He's been featured on CareerBuilder.com and CNN, in local papers like the Scarsdale Inquirer and the Asbury Park Press and in the college papers the Yale Daily News and the Daily Pennsylvanian. Even in The Journal of Irreproducible Results, a scientific humor magazine. Yes, there is one. And his group *The Ivy League of Comedy*<sup>sm</sup> was the subject of a front-page story in the Philadelphia Inquirer.

More than just smart, funny and clever, Shaun is determined to express his opinion passionately, not surprising for someone who wrote his first satirical essay at age ten. When profiled in Fortune magazine, "Tonight Show" host Jay Leno quoted one of Shaun's jokes, citing it as an example of the type of "smart comedy" he's happy to include in his opening monologue. Jay and other late-night hosts used Shaun's topical material in their monologues for almost two decades.

Outside the world of comedy Shaun was a world-class athlete in two obscure sports (rowing and dragon-boat racing), worked as a lifeguard instructor and is an instrument-rated pilot. He is also an award-winning economic forecaster who once sold his car to a hitchhiker.

Shaun is a graduate of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. You can watch his videos and read some of his writings, including satirical political essays and hundreds of jokes he's written for late-night television, on his web site BrainChampagne.com where his slogan "Brain Champagne: Clever Comedy for Smart Minds<sup>sm</sup>" rings true. Shaun is also a gold-level (5 gallon) blood donor.