

# DREW HASTINGS

**"Isn't it ironic that the finest coffees in the world come from countries where no one has a *reason* to get up in the morning?"**

This is a typical observation from Drew Hastings as he surveys the crowd and begins his show in a recent stand-up performance. At 6'6" tall, clad in a tailored black suit and trademark black horn-rimmed glasses, Hastings is a commanding presence onstage as he launches into a study of the human condition that is both hilarious and self-deprecating. Though his angst can be easily sensed, he is obviously at home onstage.

Raised in Ohio by a British mother, Drew brings to every performance a down-to-earth Mid-western sensibility tempered - or, rather, contradicted with typical British aloofness and condescension.

Drew moved from Ohio to Los Angeles in the early 1990's, where he was quickly noticed by the entertainment industry. His acting talent landed him a number of guest-starring roles and he has done television pilots for some of the big networks including Fox, NBC, and HBO. He has also made many stand-up appearances on television and is one of a very elite group of comedians to have received a standing ovation on *"The Tonight Show."*

His storied and colorful life has been the subject of three different one-person shows, *"Commencement Speech"*, *"Life & Other Short Stories"* and *"The Business of Living"*, a satire of the success/motivational industry. His character from that show, Jack Freeman, found an immediate cult following in Los Angeles, and in 2001 caught the attention of the nationally syndicated Bob and Tom Radio Show, where the hilarious Freeman was introduced to a much wider national audience. Drew's initial appearances on the Bob and Tom Show were so well received that he soon became a regular guest, regaling listeners with his stories, questioning his life and everyone else's, and giving his comedic opinions on just about any topic that comes up. Drew spends much of his time headlining with *"The Friends of the Bob and Tom Show"* which has played over 70 cities thus far.

*"The Bob and Tom Show has been a perfect outlet for me,"* says Drew. *"I tend to have a no-nonsense Mid-western attitude and their show is a Midwest-based show with a huge National reach."* He adds, *"Hollywood has never figured out what to do with me, so I'm just doing it myself."*

When he's not touring he can be found on his farm in Ohio.



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