

PAUL OGATA

BIO

As a kid, Paul Ogata played on the Honolulu City Parks & Recreation league championship basketball team. Then, when everyone else but Paul continued getting taller, he forsook playing sports for staying indoors and listening to comedy albums. Realizing he'd never have the biggest muscles or the fastest legs, Paul set about working on getting the biggest laughs with the fastest wit.

Today, it's all paying off as Paul takes his humor to comedy clubs around the world, to television and even the movies.

Paul Ogata's show lays bare his insecurities, recounts his marital foibles and hammers on world events. Paul funnels all of his material through an animated and quick delivery to give the audience a non-stop roller coaster ride through his stream of consciousness. It is precisely this style that offers audiences a show that is frequently different in content from night to night, but always hilarious.

In 2007, Paul Ogata won the prestigious 32nd Annual San Francisco International Comedy Competition, putting him in an exclusive club with the likes of Dana Carvey, Sinbad, Jake Johannson and other comedy greats. Paul can currently be seen on Showtime's "Pacific Rim Comedy", Byron Allen's "Comics Unleashed", and he co-stars in the new comedy motion picture, "Porndogs." He has also appeared in Damon Wayans' film "Behind the Smile", on Comedy Central's "Live at Gotham" and CBS' "The Late Late Show".

Paul's new CD, "Paul Ogata Stands Up – Live in Hong Kong" is now out on the New Wave Dynamics label and is available online at the iTunes store.

Here's what people are saying:

"Astoundingly funny..." – Time Out Magazine

"Irrepressible... never short of laughs." – Honolulu Advertiser

"Delivers with machine-gun speed and precision, spraying the room with non-stop laughs!" – Midweek Magazine

"This crazy dude is well worth seeing." – Monterey County Weekly

"Paul Ogata brings a no-holds-barred act!" – BC Magazine

"Kept the audience crying with laughter." – Chico State University, The Orion

"Makes you laugh while making you think." – Pacific Daily News