

CLASS CLOWNS

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GEELONG ARTS CENTRE ON THE HUNT FOR AUSTRALIA'S FUNNIEST TEEN

Melbourne International Comedy Festival's *Class Clowns* returns to Geelong Arts Centre in search of Australia's most hilarious teenager on Tuesday 21 February in Limelight Studio 4.

Open to those aged 14-18, the free, one-of-a-kind, national comedy competition is here to encourage teenagers of the G21 region to unleash their comedic voice through stand-up, sketch, musical or physical comedy.

To be in the running for the national Comedy Clown crown, participants are required to prepare 3-5 minutes of original comedy material of any genre.

Competitors may enter individually or in groups of up to three people.

From 4:00pm to 6:00pm, competitors will attend a free 2-hour workshop where they will have the opportunity to rehearse and refine their act with the help of a professional comedian before the performance heats.

From 7:00pm to 8:00pm, comedy lovers are invited to preview the next generation of Australian comedians as the *Class Clowns* prodigies take the stage to share their freshly finessed acts.

Tickets to the performance are priced at \$20 and are on sale now at geelongartscentre.org.au/whats-on/all-events/class-clowns/

The funniest entrants of the night will be invited to continue to climb the comedy ladder at the state finals, with the winners invited to participate in the National Grand Final during the Melbourne International Comedy Festival!

The winner will earn themselves a \$1,500 cash prize, as well as a workshop package for their school.

In addition to workshop and performance opportunities, all registered *Class Clowns* participants are provided with access to expert advice through an exclusive series of videos from some of Australia's funniest folk filled with tips and tricks to help get budding performers started on their comedy journey.

For over 25 years, *Class Clowns* has played a huge part in helping hundreds of young people develop their comedy potential. Past *Class Clowns* participants include Joel Creasey, Annie Louey, Rhys Nicholson, Aaron Chen and William McKenna, all of which have gone on to highly acclaimed careers in showbiz.

To register or for further information head to geelongartscentre.org.au/whats-on/all-events/class-clowns/

Class Clowns is presented by Melbourne International Comedy Festival.

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