



Paul Zerdin

Paul Zerdin is without doubt this country's top ventriloquist.

He began his career as a magician at the age of 15 &, after ruining his GCSE's, decided that the only thing he could do was to go into showbusiness. For the next five years he appeared up & down the country on the club & holiday camp circuit honing his magic while slowly introducing his stand-up comedy & ventriloquism. At the age of 20 he landed his first '*proper*' TV job as a presenter on GMTV's children's programme **Rise and Shine**.

Some years later Paul won ITV's nationwide **The Big Big Talent Show** hosted by Jonathan Ross. Since then Paul has appeared regularly on **Tonight at the London Palladium** & also the **Royal Variety Show**.

Amongst many other TV shows, Paul has appeared in **Shirley Bassey's 60th Birthday Special** (during which his puppet, Sam, had the nerve to sing one of Shirley's own songs to her), **The Generation Game**, **Late Night With Jerry Springer**, **Open House with Gloria Hunniford**, **Today with Des and Mel** & **Undercover Magic**. He's also starred in TV commercials; Kelloggs, Persil & Honda & has entertained British forces in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Stage shows include **The Paul Zerdin Show** to sell-out summer audiences in Blackpool & at The Edinburgh Comedy Festival; **Paul Zerdin – No Kids** & **Paul Zerdin – Sponge Fest**.

Christmas 2007 was Paul's 13th year in pantomime appearing as *Buttons* in **Cinderella** alongside Nigel Havers at the Richmond Theatre, London. For Christmas 2008 Paul starred alongside John Barrowman in the box office smash hit **Robin Hood** at the Birmingham Hippodrome.

2009 was a packed year, with shows in Las Vegas, Cape Town, Shanghai and Beijing (yes, really!) and also touring the UK with **The Joe Pasquale Show** – after another sell-out show at the 2009 Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

Paul is a Gold Star member of the Inner Magic Circle & has just been voted the best ventriloquist in his family.

**For more information on Paul Zerdin,
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