## CRAIG SHOEMAKER



Craig Shoemaker is a modern day renaissance man. Best known for his engaging, relatable standup and his iconic baritone-voiced character, The Lovemaster, Craig is far more than the jokes he tells on stage. He has shot multiple stand-up specials for TV, starred in numerous films, written two children's books, performed for four US Presidents, invented On Hold Advertising, has a doctorate, and is even an ordained minister. Craig most recently taped his latest hour special, Daditude, to a sold out crowd at the Webb Theatre in Orange County and wrapped a co-starring role in Should've Been Romeo.

Craig has had his own nationally syndicated radio show, which after only ten months on the air, won the prestigious Communicator Award "Crystal" prize. Two of Craig's stand-up comedy routines made it to the Top 10 list on XM Radio, with "Playing Army" ranking #1. His "Lovemaster" routine was voted Most Popular Comedy on XM Radio's Big Schtick Awards.

His film and television credits read like a who's who of Hollywood A-Listers. He has shared both the big and the small screens with luminaries like Will Smith, Farrah Fawcett, Whoopi Goldberg, Steve Martin, Andy Griffith, Ed Asner, Don Knotts, and Reese Witherspoon. His comedy stylings have earned him numerous awards throughout his extensive career, including Comedian of the Year at ABC's 1998 American Comedy Awards. His work as a writer, actor, and producer for the regional TV network PRISM also earned Shoemaker two Emmy awards.





Craig's one-hour special, entitled *The Lovemaster... Unzipped*, aired on Comedy Central and the CD was on the Billboard Top 20 for six straight weeks. His half-hour Comedy Central special was voted by viewers as one of the "Top 20" stand-up specials of all time. In June 2010, Craig received a doctorate in Humanities from his alma mater, California University of Pennsylvania, recognizing the humanitarian work that he has performed over the last several years.

























## TESTIMONIALS

"Craig Shoemaker might be the funniest man on the planet. His style of humor transcends race, age, gender and all other little groups we like to put ourselves into. Craig has performed at charity events that I have been involved in producing and he is always the talk of the event, once people catch their breath from laughing so damn hard. He is worth every cent."

Chris Eaton, Celebrity Events & Entertainment

"Craig is awesome! He was able to hook the entire audience - roughly 500 people - and kept them glued to the edge of their seats with non-stop laughter for the whole performance! Not only is he a hilarious comedian, but he is a genuinely nice guy and was easy to work with."

Mark Cichowski, TruAudio

"Craig's performance at our annual conference had the audience rolling from the moment he took the stage, we still have people talking about that night a full year later. His ability to connect and interact with the audience was awesome. I was extremely pleased with Craig's ability to keep his comedy "family friendly" for our somewhat conservative corporate audience. We loved his act so much we booked him for another conference just a few months later." Thanks for making our sides hurt Craig!

Ed Lemus

Avnet Technology Solutions

"Our law firm represents public safety (Fire, Police, Sheriff, and Correctional Officers) for labor, discipline and workers' compensation. One of the largest unions in the State of California – CCPOA (California Correctional Peace Officer Association) has a yearly convention. Thousand of members attend. Our firm hired Craig to "entertain the troops". The venue was completely full. Craig brought much laughter and levity to an otherwise stressful convention (the union was in the middle of tense contract negotiations with the State). To this day, members continue to ask when we are bringing Craig back." Paul F. Ferrone, Esq.

Adams, Ferrone & Ferrone

























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"We had Craig at the Mirage in Vegas. It was a smash hit. A month later I'm still hearing about it. I got 3 new clients in less than a week. I can't wait to have him back next year!"

Bob Picone, ARM

"We've booked Craig four times over the past five years and he's provided gut-clenching, foot-stomping laughter every time. He's as good a stand-up comic as there is and a sure thing when it comes to entertaining an audience." David R. Miller President/CEO, Integrated Sports

"Craig was terrific, as usual, and the audience went wild. Our guests are still talking about the evening and laughing while remembering Craig's stories."

Mick Gallagher, CEO of LST (Life Science Technology)

"Craig Shoemaker performed at our celebrity gala in San Diego for the Forman Foundation Breast Cancer Treatment Fundraiser. We have had comedians perform in the past, but nobody has received the positive response we got from those who were in attendance for Craig's show. He is truly a funny man. We would love to have him back."

## Mark Forman, Forman's Foundation to Find A Cure

"He was sensational! I have to tell you, he was the hit of the night! The love master routine was by far his masterpiece – a bit raw, but nonetheless incredibly funny. I heard nothing but positive comments from our attendees and many of them purchased his CD. I would definitely recommend Craig for any corporate event and would love to invite him back in the future. We had terrific fun with him!

## Carol Hutchings, HTCIA Executive Director

"Returning for his second show at California University of PA in as many years, Craig Shoemaker left the incoming freshman class screaming. Dr. Shoemaker, a 2 time Cal U alumnus entertained the 700+ crowd of new students with his patently raunchy, yet clever brand of standup comedy. Craig successfully integrated his history on the Cal U campus with his act. That balance brought the crowd (which was much younger than Craig normally entertains) to a very special place. They left entertained, enlightened, and with a whole new vocabulary. Who knew that the word "mangina" (from the Latin word meaning male vagina) would become such a positive memory for a group of college freshman and their orientation staff alike. Craig's mixture of situational, satirical, and pot comedy left the students in stitches and very entertained. The Love Master officially left his mark on the Cal U class of 2014. When you get the chance, see Craig live. It is an absolute must see show.

Jen Sigado, Director; University Welcome Center, Cal U of Pennsylvania



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