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BIOGRAPHY

About Robert Ross

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Robert Ross is the **leading authority** on **British Comedy**. Beginning with The Carry On Companion, in 1996, he has written a library of books including in depth celebrations; The Monty Python Encyclopedia, The Goodies Rule OK, Forgotten Heroes of Comedy, Official BBC tributes to Fawlty Towers, Last of the Summer Wine and Steptoe & Son, and acclaimed biographies dedicated to Marty Feldman and Sid James. Most recently, Robert

was the co-author of The Carry On Girls which was named as **Book of the Week** in the Daily Mail in January 2024. He is a frequent face on television, appearing on such diverse programmes as the **BBC News**, **Blue Peter**, Ronnie Corbett: His 30 Funniest Moments, Sir Bruce Forsyth: Mr. Entertainment, Richard & Judy, When Classic Comedy Goes Horribly Wrong, The Barbara Windsor Story, and Norman Wisdom: His Story. Robert is the founder and chair of **Write On Comedy**.

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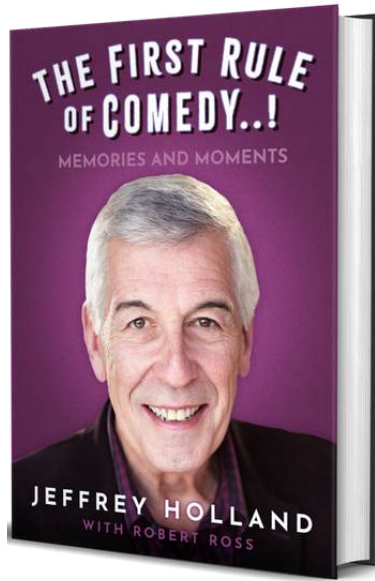
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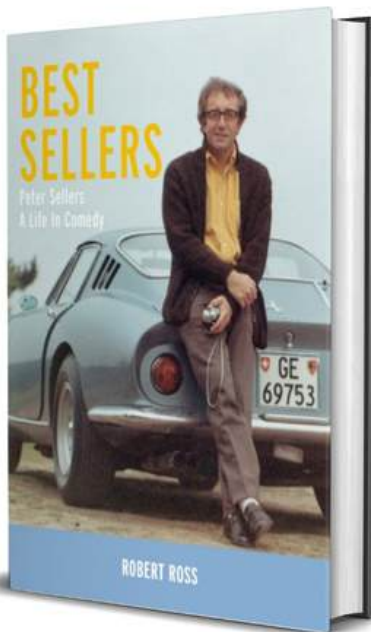
DNBF Biography: arts and entertainment
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New and Upcoming Books



The First Rule of Comedy..!
Memories and Moments
Jeffrey Holland

Published February 2025
The History Press
ISBN: 978-1803996394



Best Sellers: Peter Sellers
A Life in Comedy

Published October 2024
Great Northern Books
ISBN: 978-1914227721



The Carry On Girls
Gemma & Robert Ross

Published November 2023
The History Press
ISBN: 978-1803993409

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The Carry On Girls, The History Press

2021

Forgotten Heroes of Comedy, Unbound

2011

Marty Feldman: The Biography of a Comedy
Legend, Titan Books

2009

Sid James: Cockney Rebel, J.R. Books

2006

The Goodies Rule OK, Carlton Books

2005

The Carry On Story, Reynolds and Hearn
Limited

2002

The Complete Terry-Thomas, Reynolds and
Hearn Limited

Steptoe and Son. with Ray Galton and Alan

Simpson, BBC Worldwide Limited

2001

The Complete Frankie Howerd, Reynolds
and Hearn Limited.

Fawlty Towers: Fully Booked, with Morris
Bright, BBC Worldwide Limited

2000

The Complete Goodies, B.T. Batsford

The Complete Sid James, Reynolds and
Hearn Limited.

Last of the Summer Wine: The Finest

Vintage, with Morris Bright, BBC Worldwide
Limited

The Lost Carry Ons, with Morris Bright, Virgin
Publishing

Mr. Carry On: The Life and Work of Peter

Rogers, with Morris Bright, BBC Worldwide
Ltd

1999

Benny Hill; Merry Master of Mirth, BT Batsford

Carry On Uncensored, with Morris Bright,
Boxtree

1998

Monty Python Encyclopaedia, B.T. Batsford

1996

The Carry On Companion, B.T. Batsford

Television Credits

2023

Comedy Classics: Fawlty Towers

Secrets & Scandals of Carry On

2022

The Absolutely Fabulous June Whitfield

The Amazing Hattie Jacques: Larger Than Life

Britain's Greatest Obsessions: Harry On Humour

Sid James: Comedy Icon

Secrets & Scandals Of The Good Life

Secrets & Scandals Of Are You Being Served?

Secrets & Scandals Of Steptoe & Son

2020

When Classic Comedy Goes Horribly Wrong

Dick Emery's Comedy Gold

When TV Guests Go Horribly Wrong

What's the Matter with Tony Slattery?

2018

Ooh You Are Awful: TV We Used to Love

When Comedy Goes Horribly Wrong

2017

Sir Bruce Forsyth: Mr. Entertainment

The Barbara Windsor Story

The Paul O'Grady Story

When Chat Shows Go Horribly Wrong

The Bruce Forsyth Story

2015

Carry On Forever (three episodes)

2011

Greatest Ever Carry On Films

50 Years of Bad Sex

2010

Norman Wisdom: His Story

2009

Monty Python: Almost the Truth - The Lawyer's Cut

2008

Richard & Judy (14 March 2008)

2007

The Cinema Show: Trust Me I'm a Doctor Medics in the Movies

2005

What the Pythons Did Next...

2001

Ball Breakers on the Box

1998

What's a Carry On?

1998

Carry On Darkly

1996

Funny Business: The Carry On Films

Talking Pictures TV - Presenting

(2017)

- Remembering Kenneth More: Parts One/Two (2019)
- Talking Pictures with Anneke Wills (2019)
- Talking Pictures with Sally Geeson (2019)
- Talking Pictures with Reina James (2019)
- Talking Pictures with Françoise Pascal (2019)
- Talking Pictures with Mark Lester (2018)
- Talking Pictures with Tyler Butterworth (2018)
- Talking Pictures with Anita Harris (2018)
- Rita Tushingham (2018)
- Tim Langley from Academic Film & TV... (2017) .
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "I Remember Mama" (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "Gonks Go Beat" (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "The Naked Truth" (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "This Happy Breed" (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discussing their love of Talking Pictures TV (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "Operation Diplomat" (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "Sons of the Desert" (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "Hide and Seek" (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "The Boy Who Turned Yellow" (2017)
- Danny Baker & Robert Ross Discuss "The Wrong Arm of the Law" (2017)
- Robert Ross with Rick Blackman (Son of Christopher Beeny) (2017)
- Jim Moir (Vic Reeves Takes Over): Parts 1-5 (2017)
- Vera Day Presents... Her Life in Film (2016)
- British Comedy in the 1930s (2016)
- The Cinema in the 1930s (2016)
- The 1930s Film Industry (2016)
- Liz Fraser Presents... I'm All Right Jack (2016)
- Liz Fraser Presents... Double Bunk (2016)
- Liz Fraser Presents... Two Way Stretch (2016)
- Liz Fraser Presents... The Night We Dropped a Clanger (2016)
- Liz Fraser Presents... Every Day's a Holiday (2016)
- Liz Fraser Presents... Desert Mice (2016)
- Liz Fraser Presents... Hide and Seek (2016)
- Liz Fraser Presents... Her Life in Film (2016)



London Productions

Screaming Queens! Writer/Producer, Waterloo East

Theatre, September 2021

Jeepers Creepers, Writer/Producer, Waterloo East

Theatre, September 2021

Jeepers Creepers, Writer, Leicester Square Theatre,

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Python's Terry Jones to direct Marty Feldman play

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The play about Marty Feldman (left) will be directed by Terry Jones (right)

Monty Python's Terry Jones will direct the world premiere of *Jeepers Creepers*, a play about comedy star Marty Feldman and his ambitious wife, Lauretta.

It charts the British star's move to Hollywood, where he played Igor in Mel Brooks' 1974 film *Young Frankenstein*.

Feldman rose to fame writing on 1960s shows like radio's *Round the Horne*, *The Frost Report* and his own sketch show *It's Marty*.

The play has been written by Feldman's biographer Robert Ross.

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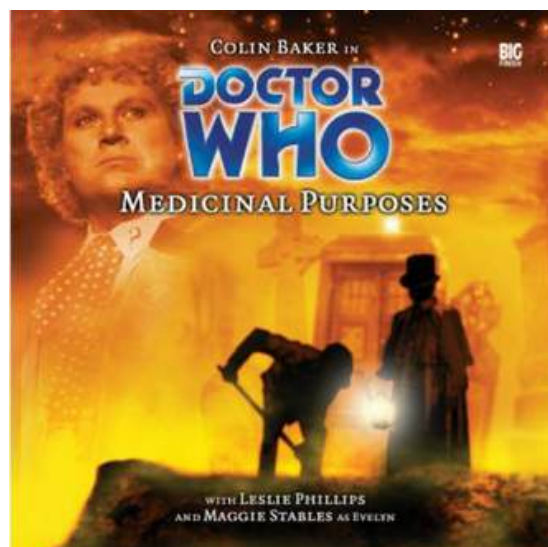
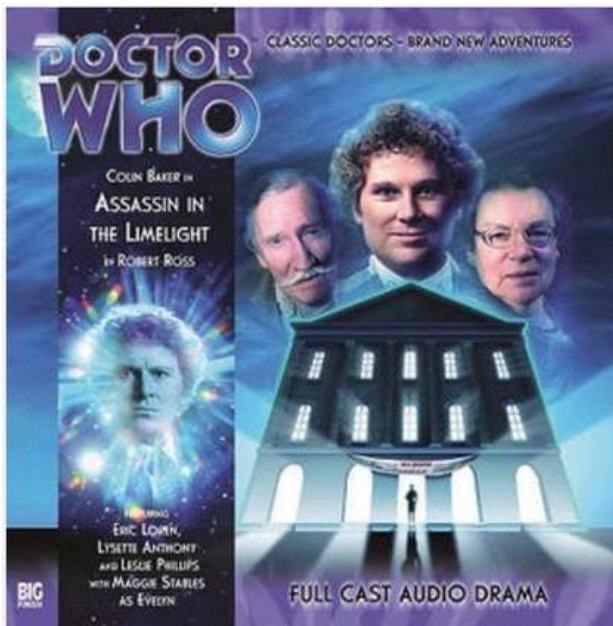


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Comedy historian Robert Ross talks to us about his new book, which shines an overdue spotlight on more than a century of overlooked comic greatness

Low Down

A fascinating meander through the vast library of (largely forgotten) comedians.

GIRL POWER Behind the scenes secrets of Carry On Movies revealed including how Sid James was the perfect gent & filming sex scenes

A surprising sex scene filming secret has been revealed



Articles By Robert



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Comedy historian Robert Ross pays tribute to some of the finest and funniest, but often overlooked, names in showbiz

Forgotten Heroes of Comedy



Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em at 50: How the sitcom became an enduring classic

As Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em reaches its 50th anniversary, Radio Times magazine looked back at the sitcom's history and its ongoing influence.



Don Smith/Radio Times/Getty Images

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This page: "Our Fawlty Towers" John Cleese with Gertie Miller, Patricia Routledge, and Bernard Binnie. Having the guests and doing a wily walk in the classic Fawlty Towers episode, "The Germans" (1975)



Celebrity Testimonials



Valerie Leon



Robert Ross is so knowledgeable on all the different aspects of comedy



Madeline Smith



"Robert is the Master of Carry On!" Madeline Smith



Jim Dale



"Robert is a one-man encyclopedia of the very best of British comedy."



Phil Collins



"Robert's knowledge of English comedy is formidable."



Danny Baker



"Nobody does it better than Robert Ross!"



Jeffrey Holland



Robert Ross, undoubtedly our greatest comedy historian!



Barry Cryer



"He's got an encyclopaedic knowledge that I admire very much."



Bill Oddie



"Robert is a fine writer, an invaluable comedy historian and an all round good chap".