

Gary Skyner



One of the country's best loved comedians, Gary has been a professional comedian for over 10 years. Only the second person to be born physically disabled due to the horrendous drug, Thalidomide, Gary quickly carved a career out making people laugh.

Quick witted, rather risqué at times, Gary will adapt his act to suit all audiences, though is most at home with an adult – often all male – audience. Hecklers beware – he thrives on audience banter and destroys anyone brave enough to interrupt his act!

Gary is without doubt the UK's most unusual comedian (once seen never forgotten) Winner of Merseyside Comedian Of The Year three years running, also the star of the Jonathan Ross Big, Big talent show, and, the most successful comedian EVER to perform at the P.F.A. awards dinner in London. They might not be the same length as yours or mine, but, YOU ARE IN SAFE HANDS where comedy is concerned with LIVERPOOL'S No1 COMEDIAN – GARY SKYNER.

Para-Legal, pilot, FA Class 1 coach, welder, stand up comedian and dad, Gary Skyner defies expectations of what can be achieved. Real life traumas are turned into triumphs every day. Gary's all inspiring tale of triumph over tragedy will touch your heart and lift your spirit. As the second child in the UK to be born damaged by the deadly thalidomide drug, which was administered to expectant mothers in the 1960's, Gary's life was destined to be difficult and challenging, as the drug impaired his physical development. Expected not to live, let alone to achieve much, Gary is living proof that there is nothing you cannot achieve if you believe you can.



Comedian & Motivational Speaker

“Gary's show was well received. Through the course of his performance, the audience laughed, cried and were in awe of his achievements. Most importantly, they were motivated. If it moves one prisoner down the road to stopping re-offending and recognising his capabilities, it will have been worthwhile.”

HM Prison Exeter.

“Thank you for your presentation at our Disability Awareness Day. I have now looked through the feedback received and find the words "inspiring", "informative" and "confident" on many of the completed forms. We asked the audience what learning points they took away from your presentation and they listed things such as the power of a positive mental attitude; never underestimating what you are capable of and realising that everyone is an individual”.

Disability Communications manager, Nationwide Building Society.