# **SCOTT DIKKERS BIO**

SCOTT DIKKERS is widely regarded as one of the most influential pioneers in comedy history. A bestselling author, comedy writer, and comedian, Scott performs stand-up and has appeared on well-known TV shows like Late Night with Conan O'Brien and Saturday Night Live, using his love of comedy to overcome personal trials and tribulations. More about substance than hype, Scott emphasizes the need for the creative process to be open, challenging, and engaging for teams and individuals to achieve their dreams.

## SCOTT DIKKERS INTRO

SCOTT DIKKERS is a #1 New York Times bestselling author, comedy writer, and comedian widely regarded as one of the most influential pioneers in comedy history. His visionary leadership at The Onion, his groundbreaking comic strip Jim's Journal, plus his multiple top-10 comedy podcasts have garnered him tens of millions of fans all over the world. Rolling Stone named him one of its top 10 favorite writers. Entertainment Weekly designated him "the funniest person in America" and placed him on the "It List" of the hottest celebrities in show business. He graced the cover of Time magazine as one the top 50 movers and shakers online. He's the winner of the Thurber Prize for American Humor, a Peabody, and more Webby awards than any other individual or organization. Considered a oneof-a-kind comedy legend throughout the entertainment industry, he literally wrote the book on comedy, the bestselling How to Write Funny, which spawned a training center at the famed Second City in Chicago where he mentors young creators who have gone on to win Emmys, Grammys, and Oscars. An accomplished stage presenter who performs stand-up and has appeared on national TV shows like Late Night with Conan O'Brien and Saturday Night Live, With The Onion, Scott broke the mold for satire, and he spells out his unlikely success with hilarious stories that will bring audiences to tears with laughter. More about substance than hype, Scott makes clear how the creative process needs to be open, challenging, and engaging for all of us to achieve our dreams.

# **AV REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. Hand-held wireless microphone is preferred.
- 2. PA sound system for speaker's voice-appreciated but not required.
- 3. Speaker prefers to speak on stage or other such professional setting.
- 4. A/V check required 30 minutes prior to presentation.

# SCOTT DIKKERS

AWARD-WINNING KEYNOTE SPEAKER



### **INSPIRATIONAL AND FUNNY!**

The #1 New York Times bestselling author, comedian, and visionary founder of TheOnion.com motivates. inspires, and makes 'em laugh!

A Peabody Award-winning speaker, Scott delights corporate, college, high school, and association audiences with compelling topics:

#### PEELING THE ONION

Scott tells the inside story of creating and branding the original fake news and leading a team of misfits to build a comedy institution without the help of seed money, followers, or a marketing budget.

#### THE FUNNY STORY BEHIND THE FUNNY STORIES

Scott takes audiences back to his beginnings as a poor farm kid who couldn't tell a joke. and shares his misadventures building a comedy career by breaking every rule and fighting off lawsuits.

#### THE REAL STORY **OF FAKE NEWS**

Scott examines the mayhem of modern media and politics, detailing the hilarious challenges he faces creating satire in a world thatespecially lately-feels more like comedy than reality!

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"An AMAZING talk... sharp, witty, and inspirational... one of the BEST TALKS we've ever had here."

"Our audiences LOVE **HIM...** funny, insightful, and relevant. He never disappoints."

"It was A BLAST! He kept the audience engaged, he was funny and so relatable."