

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 one-of-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.