

Tony Hawks

Comedy Journalist & Writer



BIOGRAPHY

Tony is a TV and radio comedian and best-selling author.

He is the author of the bestseller *Round Ireland with a Fridge* – the story of his absurd quest to hitch round the circumference of Ireland within a month with a fridge. After being serialised on Radio 4, the book became a top 10 Sunday Times bestseller. It has now sold over 800,000 copies worldwide including the US and Australia, and has been translated into several languages; Hebrew, Italian, Dutch and German. The book is now a feature film, and winner of the Paris Boulogne Billancourt Film Festival audience award. More details at www.roundirelandwithafridge.com.

Tony has written four other books, including *Playing the Moldovans at Tennis* (also serialised on BBC R4 and shortlisted for both the Samuel Johnson Prize (2000) for non-fiction writing and the Bollinger Everyman Wodehouse Prize (2000), and also released as a [feature film](#) in the summer of 2012.

Tony is the founder of the Tony Hawks Centre, Chisinau – a medical centre for children with cerebral palsy.

Other books include *One Hit Wonderland*, *A Piano in the Pyrenees*, and *The Fridgehiker's Guide to Life*.

He has appeared frequently on many UK TV shows including: *QI*, *Have I Got News For You*, *They Think It's All Over*, *A Bit of Fry and Laurie* and *Red Dwarf*.

Tony Hawks is a regular guest on radio 4 programmes *Just a Minute*, and *I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue*.

Tony is a regular after-dinner speaker at corporate events up and down the country and his warm, dry style and aptitude for ad-libbing makes him a popular choice as a host for award ceremonies. He hosted The British Book Awards (The Nibbies) for three consecutive years, as well as numerous others.

During Autumn 2019, Tony performed in a brand new musical 'Midlife Cowboy', at the Pleasance Theatre in London. The warm, funny and entertaining show, written by Tony himself, followed the misfortune of the members of the Swindon Country Club.

TELEVISION

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2010	Celebrity Mastermind (Contributor)	Shine for Channel 5	2008 The Funniest Songs
2008	Batteries Not Included (Contributor)	Liberty Bell for Dave	
2008	The Gadget Show (Presenter)	Channel 5	
2008	VW Online Viral (Presenter)	Times Online	
2007	Turbo Tennis (Co-Presenter)	Channel 4	
2007	Most Annoying Songs You Hate to Love (Contributor)	Shine for BBC3	
2007	Confessions of a Cabin Crew (Contributor)	Granada for ITV	

2006	New Middle Classes (Contributor)	BBC4
2006	Schools Out (Contributor)	BBC1
2006	50 Greatest One Hit Wonders (Contributor)	Granada Media for Channel 4
2005	Mock the Week (Contributor)	Angst Productions
2005	All I Want For Christmas (Contributor)	Spun Gold TV for UKTV
2005	Full on Food (Contributor)	In house for BBC2
2005	Meet the British (Contributor)	Tiger Aspect
2005	Page Turners (Contributor)	Princess Productions
2005	29 Minutes of Fame (Contributor)	Angst Productions for BBC
2004	Bognor or Bust (Presenter)	4DTV for 2004 Britain's Favourite Comedians/ Objective Productions
2004	He Says She Says (Contributor)	Liberty Bell
2004	Grumpy Old Men Series 2 (Contributor)	BBC2
2003	Grumpy Old Men Series 1 (Contributor)	BBC2

RADIO

DATE	PRODUCTION (ROLE)	COMPANY	PROJECT DETAILS
2004-2016	10 Just a Minute	BBC Radio 4	Currently series 55
2006	Absent Friends	BBC Radio 4	Series 2
2005	AbsentFriends	BBC Radio 4	Series 1
2004	Festival Stories (Presenter)	BBC Radio 4	

BOOKS

DATE	PUBLICATION (ROLE)	COMPANY
2007	One Hit Wonder	Ebury Press
2006	A Piano in the Pyrenees	Ebury Press
2001	Playing the Moldovans at Tennis	Ebury Press
1998	Round Ireland With a Fridge	Ebury Press