

World-Renowned Comic Queen

Rita Rudner

A house-filling favorite in Las Vegas, Rita Rudner is known for her deadpan one-liners.

With the longest-running solo comedy show in the history of Sin City, Rudner has been named Las Vegas's "Comedian of the Year" nine years in a row! Over the course of a 12-year span, Rudner has performed over 2,000 shows and sold one and a half million tickets.

Now, Rudner brings her talents to the Arts Center stage with a stand-up comedy show on February 18 at 8pm.

Rudner began her career as a Broadway dancer after moving to New York City at the age of 15, but noticed a lack of female comedians and turned her stage presence to stand-up comedy. She applied the same discipline she had acquired as a dancer to comedy, spending hours studying recordings by Jack Benny and Woody Allen, and took a full-time leap from chorus lines to punch lines in the early eighties.

Rudner's two one-hour specials for HBO, "Born to Be Mild" and "Married Without Children," were ratings standouts. She became a frequent guest on both

Late Night with Letterman and *The Tonight Show*, and often appeared on HBO.

In 2008, "Rita Rudner: Live From Las Vegas" became the first-ever PBS stand-up comedy special. In 2012, Rudner wrote and performed "The Rita Rudner Show" for BBC radio in London. She also released the Showtime Comedy special "Rita Rudner and 3 Potential Ex-Husbands." Most recently, she performed in "Act Three" by David Ambrose.

Rita has written five books, and authored two movie scripts, which collectively starred actors like Emma Thompson, Hume Laurie, Kenneth Branagh, Jack Lemmon, Dudley Moore, and Richard Lewis.

Tickets, \$49, may be purchased by visiting artshhi.com or calling (843) 842-ARTS (2787).

Don't miss this Queen of Comedy on February 18! Tickets on sale now!

