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AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST NIGHT OF COMEDY 'CRACKER NIGHT 2017' PREMIERES ON THE COMEDY CHANNEL IN AUGUST

Australia's biggest international comedy show, *Cracker Night 2017* will premiere on The Comedy Channel over three hilarious weeks commencing Thursday, August 24, at 8.30pm. It will also be available to stream on Foxtel Now.

Filmed live at the iconic Enmore Theatre during the 2017 Sydney Comedy Festival, the often controversial three part gala will be hosted by Australia's wickedly funny comedian Joel Creasy, and will highlight the best Australian legends, international stars and next-big-things of comedy.

Host Joel Creasy said: “As *Joan Rivers* would always say ‘Just have a laugh and everything will be alright’. And with everything that is going on in the world right now I don’t think those words have ever been more important. I mean, I’m still not over the *Brangelina* split, frankly. So join me as I host a jam-packed lineup of Australia’s funniest. Let us do all the work... just kick back on the couch, pour yourself a wine (or two)... and have a laugh (or two).”

The three half-hour comedy specials will feature stand up performances from comedy royalty including Jimeoin, Becky Lucas, Dave Thornton, Cam Knight, The Stevenson Experience, as well as UK funny men Dane Baptiste, Ramesh Ranganathan and Andy Zaltzman.

German foot puppeteer Anne Klinge, who wowed judges on last year’s Britain’s Got Talent with her extremely unusual performance, will also make her Australian comedy debut alongside Ireland’s king of laughs Des Bishop.

Following its live broadcast on The Comedy Channel, *Cracker Night 2017* will be available to watch from Foxtel’s on demand library, or streamed on demand on Foxtel’s streaming service, Foxtel Now

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