

Neil Innes - Comedian. Musician. UK Television Personality. Author. Actor.



For the first time in Australia as part of the 2003 Melbourne International Comedy Festival



Long-time Monty Python collaborator



co-founder/songwriter The Bonzo Dog Doodah Band "I'm The Urban Spaceman"



and legendary Beatles spoof Band, The Rutles "All You Need Is Cash"

# INNES OWN WORDS



## Who will ever forget "Bravely Bold Sir Robin, rode forth from Camelot" from Monty Python and The Holy Grail?

This is Neil Innes's first visit to Australia after 30 years as a comic performer. *Innes Own Words* is a collection of comic songs, tales and tall stories from an illustrious career.

Neil Innes began his musical career with the *Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band* - their hit, *I'm the Urban Spaceman* written by Neil Innes & produced by Apollo C. Vermouth (aka Paul McCartney) topped the charts in 1968. The Bonzos also featured in the TV series, *Do Not Adjust Your Set*, with Michael Palin, Terry Jones, Eric Idle and Terry Gilliam.



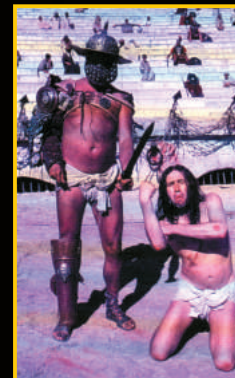
The Rutles

Neil joined forces with Monty Python on albums, films (*The Holy Grail*, *Life of Brian*) and concert tours (*Live at The Hollywood Bowl*), sometimes being referred to as the 7th Python. Then came *The Rutles* and Saturday Night Live's parody of the Beatles story, *All You Need Is Cash*, starring Dan Ackroyd, John Belushi, Bill Murray, Mick Jagger, George Harrison and Paul Simon. Neil wrote and produced all the songs and the album was nominated for a Grammy.

In 1996 he wrote and released a new Rutles album, *Archaeology (Dig It Now)* to coincide with The Beatles - *Anthology* album. Neil returned to performing live with this show *Innes Own Words* which toured the UK extensively. He then toured both in the UK and US with NYC Indie favourites *Yo La Tengo*.

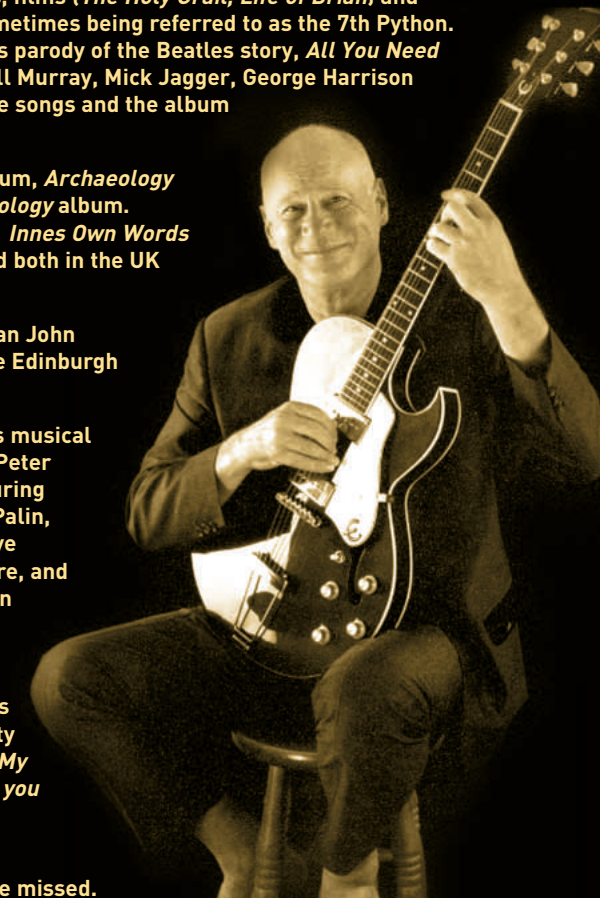
In early 2002 Neil collaborated with UK comedian John Dowie in a live show called *Ego Warriors* for the Edinburgh Fringe festival.

His last two London performances have been as musical director at the Prince Of Wales Theatre for the Peter Cook benefit and featuring Terry Jones, Michael Palin, Gryf Reece-Jones, Clive Anderson and lots more, and on the George Harrison Benefit at the Royal Albert Hall where he ceremoniously bared his bum with 4 Pythons while singing the Monty Python classic *Sit On My Face (and tell me that you love me)*. Very Cheeky!



Life of Brian

This is a show not to be missed.



**MELBOURNE:** Tue April 1 to Sat April 19 (excl. Sun & Mon) Previews: Friday March 28 and Saturday 29 March

Venue: fortyfivedownstairs, 45 Flinders Lane, Melbourne • Time: 7.00pm • Tickets: \$20-<sup>sr</sup> / Previews \$10-<sup>sr</sup> • Bookings: Ticketmaster7 ☎ 1300 66 0013 or from the venue: (03) 9662 9966

**SYDNEY:** Monday 7 April Venue: The Basement, 29 Reiby Place, Circular Quay • Time: 9.30pm • Tickets: \$20-<sup>sr</sup> • Bookings: (02) 9251 2797

**ADELAIDE:** Sunday 13 April Venue: Marble Hall, Under the Dome, Sky City Adelaide • Time: 8.30pm • Tickets: \$20 • Bookings: (08) 8218 4163