



Media Release

The Laughing Samoans

'The undisputed kings of Samoan stand up comedy!' Auckland Star

The Laughing Samoans were the runaway smash hit of the 2005 **Big Laugh Comedy Festival**. Eteuati Ete and Tofiga Fepulea are Samoan superstars. They live in Auckland and they have their own comedy circuit around the Pacific.

Ete and Tofiga are accomplished and sought after performing artists and comedians in their own right. The Laughing Samoans aim to produce comedy the whole family can enjoy, based on stories, characters and situations close to (and sometimes actually IN the) home.

Their clean and wholesome humour has facilitated their work in schools where their road safety is very popular. They have also been contracted by the Hutt Valley District Health Board to assist with a health promotion program in secondary schools.

The Laughing Samoans packed out the small theatre and this year we expect them to pack out the biggest theatre with their hilarious observations and sketches about Samoa and Samoan life and Auckland and Rugby League in Sydney! Their new show *Old School* is another step up for the Laughing Samoans with sell out shows in Auckland, Wellington and the Cook Islands already. As well as Australia, it will be touring the US and the Pacific this year.

Ete was born in Samoa and was 12 years old when his family migrated to NZ where his parents were called to serve as ministers of the Samoan EFKS church in Wellington. Tofiga is a young Samoan man, born and bred in Wellington, NZ, educated at Rongotai College. Though a fierce and talented rugby player, Tofiga hung up his boots to concentrate on his many other talents.

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BIG LAUGH COMEDY FESTIVAL

Venue: Riverside Theatre, Riverside Theatres

Address: Corner Church and Market Streets, Parramatta

Date: Saturday 8 April

Time: 5.00pm & 7.30pm

Bookings: Bookings 8839 3399 or www.biglaughcomedyfestival.com.au

Ticket Prices: \$25.50 Concession \$19.50 15 and under \$14.00

