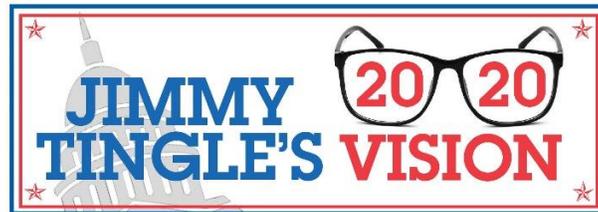


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# Jimmy Tingle's 20/20 Vision: Why Would a Comedian Run For Office?

The New CA-THAH-TIC Political Comedy Show  
by the "Best of Boston" Stand-Up and Former Statewide Political Candidate  
February 29, 2020 at Sanders Theatre in Cambridge



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**Boston, MA – January 27, 2020** – Boston's most famous political comedian, and the winner of Boston Magazine's "Best of Boston, Stand-Up Comedy", Jimmy Tingle was also a serious political candidate in 2018, running for Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts. Why would a comedian run for office? What did he learn to help us keep our sanity through the 2020 election?

*Jimmy Tingle's 20/20 Vision* is more than a hilarious comedy show that's uniquely Boston and brought the audience at the Wilbur Theatre cheering to its feet in December. It's mental therapy for anyone, of any political view, who needs relief from Twitter and the 24-hour news cycle. With passion, purpose, and on-stage antics, accent, Jimmy recounts the side-splitting tale of diving into the deep end with his 2018 statewide political run, but then transforming, learning, and surviving – with a message for us all.

Through comedy and commentary, Jimmy challenges his audience to think, and then leads them towards hope and positivity at the start of a year when we'll surely need it. Jimmy Tingle doesn't just pose questions. He gives the answers – both insightfully real and comically surreal. He reassures us that, Hey! Maybe as a nation we're going to be okay.

Jimmy has plans to tour the show nationally this election year, so see it now in Boston while you can!

*“Mr. Tingle brings so much energy and personal warmth to this nonstop performance that one comes away from it strangely uplifted. He reveals often mortifying absurdities in virtually everything that comes to his attention... Yet he is so cheerfully intelligent that he makes his audience optimistic in the face of appalling reality.”* — The New York Times

**WHAT: Jimmy Tingle’s 20/20 Vision**

**SUMMARY:** The most stressful political year in recent history needs a show by Boston’s most famous political comic, and a former statewide political candidate, to lead us all back to sanity. It’s hilarious. It’s Boston Strong. It’s CA-THAH-TIC!

**Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 8pm**  
**Harvard’s Sanders Theatre, 45 Quincy St, Cambridge, MA**

**PHOTOS:** [See Media Kit for photos, fast facts, and story ideas.](#)

**VIDEO:** [90-Second Promo Video on YouTube](#)

**TICKETS:** [Buy Tickets Here.](#) \$40, \$35, \$30. Students half-price with ID. Free Parking.

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

When Boston’s most famous political comedian, @JimmyTingle, ran for office, what happened? See Jimmy Tingle’s 20/20 Vision, the stand-up comedy show, Saturday Feb 29 in Cambridge. Free parking!  
<https://jimmytingle.com/all-shows/>

It brought the Wilbur Theatre to its feet cheering! See @JimmyTingle’s 20/20 Vision, by the “Best of Boston” Stand-Up Comic, on his roller coaster run for political office. Feb 29th in Cambridge. Free parking!  
<https://jimmytingle.com/all-shows/>

Laugh and feel hope in a year of tough politics! Boston’s best-known political comedian performs @JimmyTingle’s 20/20 Vision, Saturday February 29 in Cambridge. Free parking!  
<https://jimmytingle.com/all-shows/>

## **SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS**

- Website [JimmyTingle.com](http://JimmyTingle.com)
- Facebook [JimmyTingleFanPage](#)
- Facebook Event: [Jimmy Tingle’s 20/20 Vision: Why Would a Comedian Run For Office?](#)
- Twitter [@JimmyTingle](#)
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## ABOUT JIMMY TINGLE

Jimmy Tingle is available for interviews leading up to the show.

**Nationally Famous.** A comedian and political commentator for more than 30 years, Jimmy Tingle was a regular feature on 60 Minutes II, shot his own HBO comedy special, and has appeared countless times on national television, including Johnny Carson's The Tonight Show, CNN, MSNBC, Late Night with Conan O'Brien, and more.

**A True Bostonian.** Born in Cambridge, raised in Cambridge, and a graduate of UMASS Dartmouth and Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Jimmy Tingle is Boston's most prominent resident comedian. He was commencement speaker at Harvard's graduation in 2010. He has the rare distinction of winning Boston Magazine's "Best of Boston: Stand-Up Comedy" and also for "Best of Boston: Best Alternative Theater", as the producer and artistic director of Jimmy Tingle's Off-Broadway Theater in Somerville.

**Notable Activist.** Jimmy dove deep into serious politics in 2018 as a candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts. With political giant, former US Congressman Barney Frank, as his honorary chairman, he received 41.3% of the vote in the primary. He is also the founder of *Humor for Humanity*, which helps produce fundraisers to raise spirits, awareness, and funds for non-profits. He is the winner of the Courage of Conscience Award from the Peace Abbey, an interfaith art and social justice organization, and the 2020 Civil Service Award from Boston Mountaintop, which works to realize the vision of Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Theatre.** Jimmy has written, performed, and produced several one-person shows, including *Uncommon Sense*, *Jimmy Tingle for President: The Funniest Campaign in History*, and *Jimmy Tingle's American Dream*, which was turned into a nationally released film and PBS TV special, directed by Vincent Straggas.

**Film and TV.** Jimmy has appeared in *Veep*, the award-winning political comedy starring Julia Louis-Dreyfus, *Head of State*, the political comedy starring Chris Rock, *Next Stop Wonderland*, *The Boondock Saints*, starring Willem Dafoe, and *Clear History* starring Larry David. He's appeared in documentaries including *Damned in the USA*, *America with the Top Down*, *When Stand-Up Stood Out*, and *Call Me Lucky*, directed by Bobcat Goldthwait.

**Booking Contact.** [Use this contact form.](#)

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