

## **Of Interest compiled by Dana Mack**

### **JASON STUART**

#### **“BIG FAT GAY JEWISH COMEDY TOUR”**

Actor/comedian Jason Stuart has become the indie film king in the past year. He has completed 5 independent film's that shows his range as a character actor. Jason has always been a fan of the indie film world and is thrilled to be part of such a group of diverse films.

Jason is best known for his hilarious recurring role as “Dr. Thomas” the gay shrink on the hit ABC sitcom “My Wife & Kids” starring Damon Wayans. He's also recently appeared on “Strong Medicine” opposite Patricia Richardson (Home Improvement).

Last year Jason completed a dramatic role in another indie film, Letting Go, by filmmaker Barbara Daoust, playing the role of a man in the late 1980's who finds out he is HIV-positive and decides to die with dignity and grace.

Stuart said, “I have been looking forward to doing more serious work and growing as an artist and an actor.”

Stuart has been constantly working on new material and the “Big Fat Gay Comedy Tour” will not flinch from the controversial stuff, like the war on terrorism and Osama bin Laden. He has some new material and some new insults, that he targets poor unsuspecting members of the audience with. He has also included material about his parents, about dating, and also about getting older! Jason is sporting a “new look” which comes from the fact he's been working out with a trainer for the past 4 or 5 years, with a renewed vigor to push himself farther than he ever thought he could go and it's working!

He also acknowledges that he looks better than he ever did, but he still abhors the idea of aging. Jason has also always been very open about his relationships and his desire “to find a husband.” Currently single, Stuart said he longs for the day when he can find his mate so that he can finally sing the popular tune, “I Finally Found Someone.” When asked about the pitfalls of coming out professionally, the comic gets serious. “There have been days when I thought, Why did I do this? This is so hard. Being an openly gay person is so complicated. The hardest thing is that a lot of the gay parts go to straight people. At least let me have those parts.” Stuart feels his role is breaking new ground. “I’m an openly gay man, which is almost historic on television, and there doesn’t seem to be that many gay people playing gay people.”

Jason will be appearing in Detroit, Michigan at The Rattle Box, 8832 Greenfield Rd just north of Joy Road on Friday, April 23rd for 2 shows only 8:30pm and 11:15pm. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. with limited tickets available.

Also sharing the stage with Jason Stuart will be the Peroxide Piranha herself, our own Nickki Stevens. You can catch Jason Stuart doing “Big Fat Gay Jewish Comedy Tour” all over Metroland on these dates and places. April 25 at Central Ohio Bowling in Columbus. OH. April 28-May 1 at Crackers Comedy Club in Indianapolis, IN. May 20 - 23 at Jokers Comedy Club in Dayton, OH. For PR info: Modern Artist 323-871-2888 / [jasstu@aol.com](mailto:jasstu@aol.com) photos / live steam video available at [www.jasonstuart.com](http://www.jasonstuart.com)