

# Robert Rakete

Instagram

Robert Rakete's long broadcasting career has seen him presenting, acting, and writing for radio & television, having hosted such shows as RTR Countdown, Clash of the Codes, The Panel, and the 'State of the Nation' debate.

Considered one of few experts in live entertainment television and a pioneer of Maori radio, Robert began as the breakfast host at Mai FM in 1996. For years, Robert repeatedly captured the radio ratings war for Mai FM with 'Number 1 Breakfast Music' in the Auckland market across his 10 years with the station.

Robert then became part of The Two Robbie's co-hosting The Breeze Auckland Breakfast Show with his friend Robert Scott. At the start of 2016 Robert began hosting The Breeze breakfast show with new co-host Jeanette Thomas.

His biggest claim to fame is going to Planet Hollywood in L.A and bumping into ... Kevin Milne from Fair Go! This achievement was then surpassed in 2014 when he officially became the first Kiwi to become part of The Wiggles as a guest Wiggle - the 'Brown Wiggle'.

Performing to over 4000 children being an experience he will never forget. He continues to occasionally work with his friends The Wiggles and enjoys writing jingles for them.

In 2018, Robert fulfilled a long-held dream when he joined the cast of Dancing With the Stars NZ, where he got to demonstrate his energetic ballroom moves. His departure after five weeks was one of the most hotly-debated and contentious decisions of the season!

Robert has voiced many campaigns including; Open Polytechnic of NZ, ASB Bank & Te Reo Maori.

He is married to Nikki, a proud father of five, and in his spare time likes to eat, sleep, and bore his children to tears with stories about being a kid growing up in the 70's. Over the years Robert has had three gym memberships lapse, and bought a boxing bag, weights, and skipping rope - all of which are gathering dust in his garage.

## TESTIMONIALS

Rob MC'd a recent exhibition opening and we couldn't be more pleased. Rob's natural ability to build rapport with the guests, tailor his style to the audience, and convey the key messages in a calm, warm manner, made Rob the perfect choice for this event.



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