

**Dave Hackett (aka Cartoon Dave)** is ‘an outrageously handsome author, cartoonist and regular visitor to kids TV.’ The kind of guy who likes drawing bums with afros (just because he can), Dave has presented his high-energy, fully interactive cartooning workshops to over 175,000 people in schools, libraries and at Festivals and Expos all over Australia.’ Spanning three decades, Dave has been cartooning on TV shows airing all over the world, and can currently be seen scribbling each week on Channel Eleven’s *Toasted TV*. He is the author of seven how-to cartooning books, three picture books and six novels, including the hilarious series *UFO – Unavoidable Family Outing*. His first Young Adult novel *The Summer of Kicks* was released in 2014, while his latest cartooning book *Gross Cartooning* has been impressing children and offending parents since its release. His picture books to date include *Norman Enormous* (2009), *Hamilton’s Handstand* (2011) and *Time for Bed, Daddy* (UQP, 2015). Dave has a pile of children, loves bacon but doesn’t eat it and knows more about 1980s pop music than any grown man should.