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Comedian Tim Hawkins to Release New Book

Diary of a Jackwagon

Family-friendly funny man shares his hilarious perspective on life in the 21st century

He's a comedian. He's a YouTube sensation. And come August, he becomes an author. Popular comedian Tim Hawkins will release his new book *Diary of a Jackwagon* on August 4, 2015 (Nelson Books, Thomas Nelson).

Diary of a Jackwagon, highly anticipated by Tim's fans, hits on everything from family, culture and music, to church, parenting and education. Readers will enjoy laughing their way through the book, always feeling good about the clean sometimes inspiring material they are laughing at.

"Tim is that guy who says everything you've ever thought but were never clever enough to come up with yourself.

Ridiculously hilarious."

—Sean Colelli,

Alice Cooper's Solid Rock

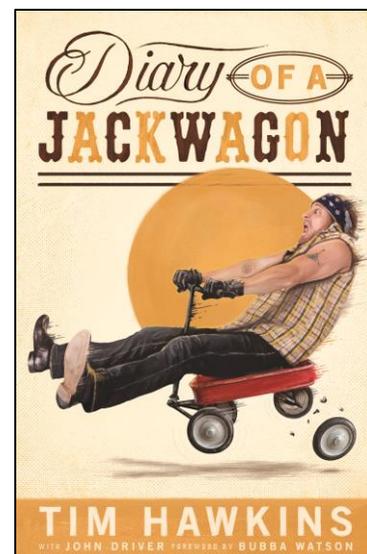
"Tim's refreshingly honest and family-friendly take on the many humorous parts of life will have you laughing from start to finish. Our family couldn't put it down!" praised presidential candidate and former Senator Rick Santorum.

For more than two decades, Tim's clean comedy show has been entertaining people of all ages, all over the world. In today's culture, it's hard to find a stand-up comedian who believes bad language and adult content are not requirements to be funny, but Tim Hawkins proves it's not impossible.

Tim's comedic voice resonates deeply with those in his tribe, as showcased by his vast social media following. With more than 45 million views on Tim's personal YouTube channel, 150 million other views on YouTube, 120 or more sold out shows every year, and a motley crew of more than 430 thousand Facebook fans, Tim has started a gut-busting grassroots revolution of multi-generational proportions.

In a recent interview, Tim said, "This book is about how comedy for me is a labor of love that allows me to avoid real labor, which I hate."

As is typical for Tim's live show, *Diary of a Jackwagon* reveals a witty and relatable voice reminding readers that for life's many difficulties, laughter is always the best medicine – when there aren't any pills left.



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From foreword by Bubba Watson:

A couple of years ago, a friend asked me if I had heard of the comedian Tim Hawkins. I said no and he pulled out his phone and immediately started searching for Tim Hawkins's "Chick-fil-A song," insisting that I had to see it right away. He was right; I did need to see it. The first time I heard the song I couldn't believe how funny, and true, it was. It was like Tim knew about my secret craving for Chick-fil-A every Sunday. I was instantly hooked on Tim's comedy and started telling everyone I knew about him. I even started slipping into the PING equipment trailer at tournaments just to watch Tim's videos on their computer.

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While I loved Tim's work from the start, as I learned more about him I really began to appreciate just how different he is from many of the other well-known comedians. When you watch his shows or listen to his songs you don't need to look around and see who is listening.

Having a young family, I am very aware that what we watch on TV or listen to on the radio reflects on us personally. Kids are like glue and bad language sticks to them too. It's good to know that Tim's comedy is acceptable for everyone. He also proves that bad language and adult content are not requirements to be funny.

Another reason that Tim's work is special to me is that after watching, listening, and learning about Tim's life, I found out that he is a Christian. When I was younger the idea of a comedian being a Christian seemed strange. I thought Christians were supposed to be simple, straightforward, and boring. But as I have grown as a Christian myself, I have realized that my old perceptions were not true. Tim is proof that people can have fun, be entertaining, and be Christians all at the same time.

The truth is, I am not a "Christian golfer." I am a Christian, and I am a golfer. One is who I am. The other is what I do. To me, Tim Hawkins is not a "Christian comedian." One is definitely who he is, and the other is definitely something he does very well—an opinion anyone who reads this book will share regardless of how they feel about faith. Trust me, this guy is funny.

So funny it'll make ya wanna slap ya mama.

From Chapter 19:

Some would say that eating food is a key to survival. I tend to agree. I have never attempted to test the theory and I am not a doctor, but I do have the Internet, which means I'm just as smart as anyone. Google is me much intelligence for nicely stuff.

Thus I consider myself to be an expert nutritionalician. I even have a framed certificate on my wall to prove that this title is legit. It cost me a whole thousand dollars. If you ask me, it was worth every penny—and I say that not in the colloquial sense, but because I paid for it completely out of my penny jar. Ironically enough, all those rolls of pennies weighed so much that the shipping fee to mail them off cost me more than the actual certificate.

Now that was worth every penny—in the colloquial sense this time. Try to keep up.

My point, if you will let me get there, is that my newfound and much-deserved expertise makes me feel so inclined to ponder the state of our current nutritional situation in America. For example, what is going on with this restaurant Chipotle? Are we just giving up on the idea of human-sized portions? Trying to order a burrito is like, "Yeah, just take a laundry bag and fill it with meat—that's what I want. And I don't want a tortilla; I want a duvet cover."

It gets worse. I was recently traveling through Oklahoma doing some shows when my bus passed by a Taco Bell Express. You heard me right—Express. You freaks need a punch line for that one? Are we in too big of a hurry for regular Taco Bell? Fifteen seconds is too long to wait for tacos?

I suppose we want our acid reflux faster and with more esophageal efficiency. Somewhere in Japan, a kid just solved a calculus equation. Somewhere in Oklahoma, a kid just shortened his lifespan by three years when he inhaled seven tacos at once in an effort to lower his elevated blood pressure caused by his extreme anger over said tacos taking more than three minutes to be delivered to his gullet.

Seriously, how is Taco Bell going to get my food to me any faster than they already do? Are they going to shoot it out of a cannon as I drive by? “I’ll take a number two—now! Come on. I want immediate diarrhea, chop chop! Let’s skip the middle man. I’m late for my nap.”

Tim can speak about:

- **Marital Communications** (“Marriage needs a challenge flag, like in pro football.”)
- **Worship Music** (“Pick the right key, because I’m not Barry White and I’m not a Bee Gee.”)
- **Fatherhood** (“There are no manuals for parenting. Color-coded warning labels or open-ended prescriptions would be just as helpful.”)
- **Aging Gracefully** (“I’m losing all my hair up top, but the rest of my body looks like it is hosting an extended family of auctioneers down at the Alabama Mullet Convention.”)
- **Food** (“Eating a Krispy Kream donut is like eating a baby angel. I don’t even know what that means, but I doubt anyone out there would dispute me.”)
- **And more!**



Tim Hawkins has forged a no-bones, no-bull stand-up comedy experience that entertains the entire family. Described as one part gifted and two parts twisted, Tim highlights the brokenness of human nature while marveling in its absurdity. He performs live for 200,000 fans at 120+ sold-out shows every year. His Jackwagon Crew continues to grow with 300 million views on YouTube and a motley half million Facebook fans. Tim and his wife, Heather, live in Missouri with their four crud muffins.

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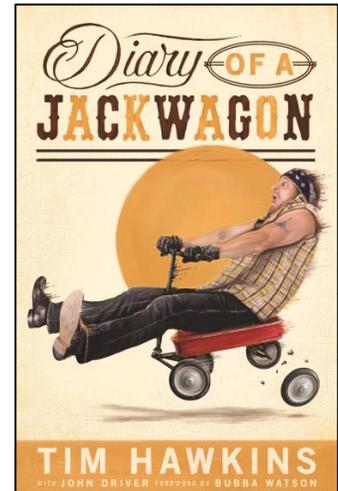
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Tim Hawkins – *Diary of a Jackwagon* Suggested Q&A

1. What initially drew you to a career in comedy? Did you know from the get-go you wanted to be family-friendly-funny?
2. You already have a huge platform as a comedian. So, what pushed you to write this book?
3. You're used to putting on a show—being funny on stage in front of an audience, but this book required you to be funny on paper. Was that a difficult transition?
4. Explain the title: “Diary of Jackwagon”
5. Tell us about your faith, and how that plays a role in your comedy.
6. Do you often run into Christians who are offended by your jokes? How do you handle that?
7. Do you ever hit periods where creativity goes dry? Days where you just don't feel funny but have to push on? What do you do then?
8. What's it like to be considered a rock star among the homeschool community?
9. You're on the road for days, sometimes weeks at a time. Do you have a strategy for keeping your family a priority? What advice would you give to someone in a similar situation?
10. What's your favorite thing about being a husband? A parent? A comedian?
11. Who is your comedic inspiration?
12. What do you hope the reader takes away from this book?



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