

BIOGRAPHY OF ARTHUR BLACK:

Just when you thought it was safe to conclude that Canada is the gloomiest piece of real estate this side of Hamlet's root cellar, Arthur Black shows up. Is he funny? Well, yes. Three of his books have been awarded the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour. He's also won an ACTRA award for best opinion/commentary AND a second hand Schwinn balloon tire bike for eating seven submarine sandwiches (all dressed) in 15 minutes.

In addition to authoring eleven books of humour, Arthur has hosted BASIC BLACK, a national weekly radio show that glued 650,000 Canadians to their radios every Saturday morning for 19 years. For five years he also hosted and narrated two syndicated TV shows - WEIRD WHEELS and WEIRD HOMES.

Currently, he pens a syndicated newspaper column that appears in more than 50 papers from Vancouver Island to Newfoundland. He also has a monthly humour column in CARP magazine and is a featured commentator on the CBC radio program All Points West. In all other life pursuits, Black is an abject failure. He can't sing. He can't dance. He can't figure out his Income Tax form. He has to ask small children on the street to stop the alarm beeping on his digital wristwatch.

He can, however, deliver side-splitting, heart-warming performances designed to massage the funny bones of everybody in the audience - including that stony-faced Grinch from Accounting. And he's done it just about everywhere. Arthur has been an after-dinner speaker in every province in Canada and as far afield as Marco Island, Florida and Lahr, Germany. Ladies and Gentlemen, please welcome Arthur Black.