

CPA-Turned-Culture Consultant on a Mission to Shatter the Stereotype

Hi, I'm John and I'm proof that CPA's can be funny. Really funny. I know that when it comes to corporate events, getting serious results doesn't have to be so serious. I also know that a corporate entertainer should partner with you to make sure the entire event is a success, which means making the event about your organization. Not about me. And I know that's exactly what I do.

The Speaker

John Garrett is a nationally recognized speaker and emcee who draws on his condition as a recovering Big Four CPA to deliver messages that hit home with corporate audiences. This professional member of the National Speakers Association is on a mission to shatter the definition of "stereotypical professional" and in the meantime, show organizations how to create a stronger culture that attracts and then retains top talent. His book, *What's Your "And"?: Unlock the Person Within the Professional*, was released in 2020 by Page Two Publishing.

John's clean, customized performances and observations of everyday Corporate America help teams break down barriers, foster unity, and strengthen bonds. With **over 2,000 performances**, he consistently gets rave reviews from conference planners and organization leaders alike for his lasting impact on morale and culture.

Recognizing how consumed people are in their jobs, the hilarity of everyday Corporate America and how **humor transforms the morale and camaraderie of those around him**, John left his cubicle to speak at corporate events across the country. Since then, John has performed for leading companies ranging from "Big Four" accounting firms to banks to technology companies to professional associations seeking an outside-of-the-box way to engage their audiences.



Tracks from his comedy album, "Outside the Box," can be heard on several channels on SiriusXM Satellite Radio and Pandora. He's also been heard on The Bob & Tom Radio Network, featured in the *New York Times*, seen in concert with Train, opened for Louie Anderson at resort casinos and has been invited to perform at several comedy festivals. He's even written two Emmy-nominated awards shows!

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The Accountant

He received his Certified Public Accountant Certificate from the State of Illinois after sending in 6 UPC symbols from his favorite cereal boxes. As a former CPA, Senior Financial Analyst and Business Development Director, John's experience ranges from being an integral team member for his Big Four Firm's largest financial services client to helping launch a startup company. No matter where he went John was that adorably obnoxious guy, too easily distracted from general ledger reports and more interested in amusing his co-workers—a good thing for his colleagues, not so much for his manager. His **real world experience** makes it very easy for John to relate to corporate audiences. Having been an employee in the audience of many corporate events, John knows how to deliver a presentation that will impact your team.

The Person

John was born and raised in a military family, so he grew up living in five states and overseas. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame, where he earned a letterman jacket as trombone player in the marching band. John currently lives in Denver and really enjoys ice cream and college football, especially at the same time.