

# michael falzon

Invited by Brian May to star once more as *Galileo* in the 2009/10 UK & European tour of *We Will Rock You*, Falzon is an acclaimed actor best known to audiences across the globe as Galileo in the hit show by QUEEN. He appeared in the the first-ever production to be directed by its author, Ben Elton, appearing in the show on three continents. Said Brian May, in a cover story of The Sunday Times Magazine:

***"The man who plays this character has to be a very good actor, a brilliant singer – the range and power of Freddie is rarely equaled – and he has to have one extra rare commodity. He has to BE a rock star, for this is something beyond make-believe. The people who see We Will Rock You believe they saw the real thing. Michael was, and is, able to deliver the whole package."***

Michael's varied career has seen him perform for Cate Blanchett's **Sydney Theatre Company**; with **Sydney Symphony Orchestra** at the Opera House in his native Australia; and in a sold-out engagement performing his original songs at Sydney's premier rock venue, **The Basement**. Showcasing his diversity, Michael more recently starred in the title role of *Hedwig and the Angry Inch* after playing the role of The Artilleryman (originally recorded by David Essex), in Jeff Wayne's global mega-hit *The War of the Worlds*, touring arenas alongside luminaries Justin Hayward (The Moody Blues) and Chris Thompson (Manfred Mann's Earth Band) – touring with the show also in 2010 to Europe and the UK.

Michael's screen appearances include the internationally-syndicated final season of *Blue Heelers*; performing live with **QUEEN** both in an Australian Television Special, and again on Dublin's *The Late Late Show*; as a regular guest on numerous talk shows and at Carols by Candlelight for all the major antipodean networks; with the personal highlight of singing 'Bohemian Rhapsody' before a crowd of 100,000 for a football Grand Final – televised to millions around the world.

Michael stars as Stacee Jaxx in *Rock of Ages*, in Melbourne from 9 April 2011.



## **We Will Rock You – United Kingdom**

*"Michael Falzon, with a panache that Freddie Mercury would have approved of, simply let rip."* **The Times**

*"Taking the lead as Galileo Figaro, Australian Michael Falzon is striking."* **Evening News**

*"A vocal style not dissimilar to Freddie Mercury and suits the material well. By the grand finale he has the crowd cheering and calling for more."* **Onstage Scotland**



*Falzon in the international press...*



***Hedwig and the Angry Inch***

"Falzon is absolute perfection. His singing voice is sublime but comes in second to his incredible acting ability."  
**Time Off**

"Falzon never loses his testosterone touch... keyed into the star's knock-'em-dead raving, the punters were hardly game to blink."  
**Sunday Mail**

"A powerhouse performance... attributed to the humanity of Falzon's excellent embodiment."  
**Rave**

"Michael Falzon's miraculous Hedwig is exhilarating and exhausting... he is utterly captivating for 90 intermission-free minutes."  
**Stage On-line**



***The War of the Worlds***

"Falzon has tremendous vocal and stage presence."  
**The Age**

"Michael Falzon brings genuine acting chops to his role."  
**Morning Herald**



***We Will Rock You – Australia***

"One of the stand-out performances of the year."  
**Herald Sun**

"A bright young star... Falzon is a show stealer."  
**Sunday Herald Sun**