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FREED BIO

Josh Freed is an award winning, Montreal-based journalist, humorist, author and filmmaker who has written a popular (syndicated) weekend humor column on page 2 of the Montreal Gazette for over 25 years

Josh has won the Stephen Leacock Medal for humor, and twice been named Canada's best columnist with a National Newspaper award.

He won another NNA for best Canadian feature-writing.

Josh is also the author of several humorous books, including **The Anglo Guide to Survival in Quebec** (co-author); **Fear of Frying**;

Sign Language; Press 1 and Pray; 2000 Reasons to Hate the Millennium; and in French "**Vive le Québec Freed**". Also "**Moonwebs**" which went on to become The United Artists Classics film, **Ticket To Heaven**

His latest book is "**Postcards from Pandemica – Our Crazy Covid years**"

Josh is currently starring in the Montreal hit show "**The Four Anglos: Surviving the Covid Apocalypse**" along with Gazette cartoonist Terry Mosher and singer songwriters Bowser and Blue, at Westmount's prestigious Victoria Hall starting Dec 17th, 2021. An earlier show by the same team (**The Four Anglos of the Apocalypse**) played over 40 sell-

out nights at the Centaur Theatre – Montreal’s largest English-speaking theatre.

Josh has also written and directed over 25 one-hour documentary films for the CBC, that have won both Geminis and Genies, as well as two prestigious U.S. Chris Awards and the World Medal for Investigative Reporting from the New York International Television Festival. His films have been seen on PBS, A&E, Bravo and Disney Channel in the United States, Channel 4 in the UK, and in over 50 other countries.

His latest documentary “ **In Your Face**” will premiere on CBC’s “The Nature of Things” on Jan 26, 2022.

Josh was also an on-camera journalist and director at CBC's The Journal, where he made over fifty half hour, humorous television documentaries. He worked for a variety of other CBC TV and radio shows as well, and he also wrote a humorous column in French for several years for **L'Actualité** magazine.

In 2020, Josh was awarded Quebec’s Victor Goldbloom Award for Community Service – almost entirely for his many years of making Montrealers laugh.