

CRACKED UP



In **Cracked Up** we witness the impact that childhood trauma can have over a lifetime through the incredible story of award-winning actor, comedian, master impressionist and Saturday Night Live veteran, **Darrell Hammond**. Renown for his impressions of Bill Clinton, Donald Trump, Sean Connery and more; Hammond performed brilliantly on live TV. Behind the scenes he struggled with debilitating flashbacks, self-injury, alcohol and drugs. Misdiagnosed for 40 years with different mental illnesses Hammond was put on a long list of medications. It wasn't until a suicide attempt, that Hammond finally met the doctor who gave him the proper diagnosis of "childhood trauma". Courageously transparent, Hammond takes us through his past and present-day experiences with incredible resilience, vulnerability, wisdom and humor.

The science is clear - toxic stress in childhood changes the architecture of the developing brain creating ill-health downstream. Darrell's courageous story of hope will not only move, entertain and inspire, it will break down barriers of stigma and move us all closer to better prevention and treatment with understanding and compassion. **Cracked Up**, director Michelle Esrick, creates the perfect balance between comedy and tragedy helping us understand the biological effects of childhood trauma, addiction and recovery in a new light, and replacing shame with compassion and hope. "

"**Cracked Up**" also features Lorne Michaels, Steve Higgins, Christopher Ashley, Dr. Nabil Kotbi, **Dr. Bessel van der Kolk**, Whoopi Goldberg and Larry Laskowski.

Wednesday May 29th 7:30pm

**International Trauma Conference
Seaport World Trade Center, Boston**

**Join Director and Producer Michelle Esrick
and Dr Bessel van der Kolk after the show
for discussion and questions.**

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