

Emmy-award winning comedian **Dana Carvey** has maintained a tremendous career. Carvey was born June 2, 1955, in Missoula, Montana. Dana went on to college at the San Francisco State University where he won the San Francisco Standup Comedy Competition. After his graduation (with a degree in communication arts), he played at numerous clubs in the Bay Area and then moved to Los Angeles to pursue his career.

A repertory member of SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE since the 1986-87 season, Carvey left in 1992 after seven seasons. Carvey is best known for his characters the Church Lady Hans, of the Hans and Franz bodybuilding duo Garth, Wayne Campbell's (Mike Myers) Excellent Cohost on the immensely popular sketch Wayne's World, and Weekend Update's Grumpy Old Man.

In addition to these characters, Dana has received widespread praise for his uncanny and exaggerated comedic impersonations of such political figures as Ex-President George Bush, H. Ross Perot, Jerry Brown, David Duke and Bob Dole. He also does impersonations of George Burns, Johnny Carson, Jimmy Stewart, John McLaughlin, Mickey Rooney, Casey Casem and Regis Philbin.

On television, he hosted the 1992 presentation of the MTV Music Awards, costarred in two pilots and was a member of the Showtime special SALUTE TO THE IMPROVISATION, with Billy Crystal, Robin Williams and Robert Klein. In 1995, Dana performed standup in his own one-hour comedy special on HBO aptly named CRITICS' CHOICE.

In 1992, Carvey appeared in the blockbuster film WAYNE'S WORLD, based on the hit SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE sketch. The film grossed over \$160 million and was produced by SNL creator Lorne Michaels. The public demanded a sequel, and in 1993, Carvey appeared in WAYNE'S WORLD 2, recreating his role of Garth, al...

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