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Jason Stuart is a self-described actor and comedian. Stuart has lately become one of the top openly gay performers leading him to some of the country's best comedy clubs - The Comedy Store and Improv to name just a couple. His colorful career has brought him acclaim through hard work and high-profile performances like Comedy Central's 'Out There in Hollywood.' As an actor he's appeared in big studio comedies such as 'Vegas Vacation,' and 'Kindergarten Cop.' Last year he completed the Disney comedy 'Ghost of a Chance' opposite Scott Bakula, and the indie film 'Dawg' with Dennis Leary and Elizabeth Hurley. His manic TV acting resume included a role in the HBO film 'Gia' with Angelina Jolie, and guest roles (gay and straight) on 'The Drew Carey Show,' 'Norm,' 'Three Sisters,' 'Providence' and 'Will & Grace.' Jason is now promoting his new comedy CD

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