



**Michael Pritchard** is a nationally acclaimed keynote speaker praised by the Wall Street Journal, CNN and Time for his ability to use humor to inspire and educate his audiences on communication skills. Michael Pritchard is a big guy with a warm heart who as one student described him, "truly walks as he talks." He began his career on both the comedy stage and as a juvenile counselor in San Francisco's Youth Guidance Center. In 1980, Michael Pritchard won first place in the San Francisco International Stand Up Comedy Competition as well as winning the prestigious California Probation Officer of the Year. Michael's offers from Hollywood rolled in including a guest appearance on an Emmy Award winning episode of "Taxi". His sensational standup comedy billed him with Robin Williams, Jerry Seinfeld, Dana Carvey and Whoopi Goldberg playing venues as Caesar's, the Comedy Store, Universal Amphitheater and opening for such names as Diana Ross, the Grateful Dead, Kenny Rogers, Mike McDonald and Boz Scaggs. But Michael rejected offers from Hollywood to focus on using his comic talents for inspiring youth and adults.

Drawing from his counseling background, Michael Pritchard began using humor to inspire, teach communication skills, anger management, diversity, conflict resolution and overcoming burnout and stress. His broad base of audience from corporate employees, healthcare workers, government and state officials have honored him with countless standing ovations and numerous awards including: President's Volunteer Action Award, Commendation - Office of the Attorney General, Paul Harris Fellowship - Rotary International, Toastmaster's International Speaker, Outstanding Performance - Federal Executive Board, Josephine Duveneck Humanitarian Award and the Key t...

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### Speech Topics

- Motivation
- Humor
- Education



## Testimonials

□ "You created a wonderful "feel good" atmosphere...your humor and spirit inspired the audience and we raised "10,000 more dollars than last year!" □

- Food Bank of Contra Costa County.

□ "No one turns kids around like Michael Pritchard!" □

- CA superintendent.