

= Arnaud Tsamere =

Arnaud Tsedri (born 11 March 1975) , better known by the stage name Arnaud Tsamere (French : [a?no tsam??]) , is a French comedian , actor , television presenter and sports journalist . Born in Bordeaux and raised in the Yvelines , he joined the Déclic Théâtre group after quitting his sales job . There , he acted in plays and participated in improvisation events . He wrote his first one @-@ man show , Réflexions profondes sur pas mal de trucs , in 2002 with Arnaud Joyet , and his second , Chose Promise , in 2007 with Joyet and François Rollin . His third , Confidences sur pas mal de trucs plus ou moins confidentiels , has been performed since 2014 . He has attended numerous comedy festivals and is currently a member of the Ligue Majeure d'Improvisation .

Tsamere 's television career began when he presented the weather forecast on Canal + . From 2010 , he became well known for appearing on France 2 's sketch comedy show On n 'demande qu 'à en rire ? and its short @-@ lived spin @-@ off the ONDAR Show ? after he was discovered by Laurent Ruquier ; he often performed sketches with Jérémy Ferrari . He also plays Captain Sport Extrême in the comedy science fiction programme Hero Corp. In 2014 , he hosted TMC 's Canapé Quiz ; he has also appeared on various French talk , sports and game shows . Tsamere has acted in several films , including the short Being Homer Simpson with Philippe Peythieu and Véronique Augereau , and Fonzy , a 2013 adaptation of Starbuck .

= = Early life = =

Tsamere 's paternal grandparents are from Guipavas , and his father is Breton . He was born in Bordeaux , but grew up in Versailles , Rocquencourt and Trappes , in the Yvelines department . His father was a general in the French Air Force who was awarded the Legion of Honour , and his mother a housewife , whom he has described as " the best in her domain " . He has two brothers . He describes himself as having had a " strict upbringing " .

Speaking about his early life and its relation to his surreal comic style , Tsamere said :

I grew up in a very comfortable environment . I wanted for nothing ; serious things never happened to me in life . I have never been a victim of injustice , so I have nothing to protest . I don 't have any particular origins which would be interesting to talk about So , I do absurd stuff because I don 't want to talk about other things .

After getting his baccalauréat , he studied law at university , where he discovered an improvisational match in his first year and " fell in love " with the performance . In 1998 , he obtained a master 's degree in business law and later got a job working in export sales . However , he realised that he " could no longer live without the stage " , and on the advice of his friend Arnaud Joyet and Déclic Théâtre co @-@ founder Alain Degois , quit his job and launched his career as a comedian .

= = Career = =

= = = Theatre and improvisation = = =

After quitting his previous job , Tsamere took part in the Déclic Théâtre improvisation group under its co @-@ founder Alain " Papy " Degois , who he said " pushed me , gave me confidence , coddled me [and] got me to act in plays and improvisation matches " . Between 2003 and 2005 , he played the baron Christian de Neuville in an adaptation of Cyrano de Bergerac at the Château de Gizeux with the theatre group La Pastière , to which he was introduced by Degois .

He began writing his first one @-@ man show in 2002 with his friend Arnaud Joyet , inspired by a videotape of comedian François Rollin . The show , entitled Réflexions profondes sur pas mal de trucs (Profound reflections on quite a few things) , played on theatrical " flops " , a form of humour that Tsamere said " can seem easy [but] is not when you really start to work on it " . It was performed at the Blancs Manteaux theatre from April 2005 to January 2006 .

Tsamere met Rollin at the Dinard Comedy Festival , and he joined Tsamere and Joyet to write a second show , Chose Promise (Promised Thing) . Written in 2007 , it stars Tsamere as an economics teacher named Patrice Valenton , performing as part of a promise made to a friend who died in a car accident . He chose to perform as a character under Rollin 's suggestion , so that he could depict failure under the guise of somebody who is not a comedian . Regarding the show 's theme of death , he said " It 's a bit strange , but it has the virtue of attracting the public 's attention " . Tsamere 's performance was well received by critics ; Le Parisien called the show a " masterpiece of the genre " . Chose Promise was released on DVD on 6 March 2013 after being recorded at the Théâtre Sébastopol in Lille . Tsamere has done three tours of the show , and its final two performances were at the Olympia in February 2014 .

Tsamere 's third show , Confidences sur pas mal de trucs plus ou moins confidentiels (Secrets about quite a few more or less confidential things) , also written with Rollin and Joyet , was performed on tour throughout France from November 2014 , and at Le Splendid from January 2015 . Tsamere has said it is based on the principal that " society laughs too much " , and will involve him talking about himself .

On 25 June 2012 at the Européen theatre , Tsamere performed alongside the On n 'demande qu 'à en rire jury member Éric Métayer in Métamère en impro . He performed La tournée du trio with his On n 'demande qu 'à en rire colleague Jérémy Ferrari , and Baptiste Lecaplain ; after a tour of 12 performances in Zéniths , they did several special performances in February 2014 . Tsamere has attended comedy festivals such as the Montreux Comedy Festival , where he performed with Ferrari , and the Avignon Festival . He is now part of the Ligue Majeure d 'Improvisation .

= = = Television and radio = = =

In 2005 , with the help of Frédéric Testot , whom he met at a Puy @-@ Saint @-@ Vincent comedy festival , Tsamere got the job of presenting the weather forecast in Le Grand Journal on Canal + . He also appeared in Canal + ' s SAV des émissions , presented by Testot and Omar Sy . After quitting the weather in June 2006 , he hosted La longue nuit du pénis on the same channel that September . It was a night dedicated to the penis , which Tsamere has described as " nothing pornographic or erotic . It was a series of serious documentaries . " He says he was asked after Frédérique Bel refused , because he was " probably the only one liable to accept " .

In 2007 Tsamere met Simon Astier during the recording of the M6 show Off Prime . He was given the role of Captain Sport Extrême in Astier 's comedy science fiction programme , Hero Corp , which is broadcast on France 4 . He only appeared in one episode of the first series , but more frequently in the second . Speaking about the differences between himself and his character , Tsamere said " He is a misogynist , beastly , an adventurer , unattached ... I am just the opposite " . He also said " I 've loved this character . I love playing crackpots . "

In 2010 he participated in the sketch comedy talent show On n 'demande qu 'à en rire , created and presented by Laurent Ruquier and broadcast on France 2 . Ruquier asked him to do so after he saw Tsamere in Monique est demandée caisse 12 and Le Comique . He has described it as " the missing piece of the puzzle " that allowed him to become well known . He already knew all of the original participants , except for Nicole Ferroni , whom he discovered at a comedy festival in Puy @-@ Saint @-@ Vincent in January 2011 . He is friends with Jérémy Ferrari , with whom he has performed sketches on the show . The two share a well @-@ known on @-@ stage rivalry .

Based on puns involving crime and food , his sketch " L 'avocat de la salade , la frite et la saucisse " was the first in the programme to achieve 99 out of 100 points . After participating in the show for two years and totalling 64 appearances , Tsamere announced in 2012 that he did not plan to return for its third season . However , he came back the next year after the cancellation of the ONDAR Show , and described his stage fright before his first performance after his return . When the show returned for its fourth season , he acted as patron (parrain) during the first week , and could save and work with eliminated candidates .

In September 2011 , Tsamere appeared with On n 'demande qu 'à en rire colleague Jérémy Ferrari in two editions of Ruquier 's late @-@ night talk show On n 'est pas couché ? however , in what

would have been their third week , they decided to quit the show as they thought that " our duo was not the right formula to succeed Jonathan [Lambert , their predecessor] " , as well as to concentrate on their " solo projects " . From October 2012 to January 2013 , Tsamere took part in the ONDAR Show , a spin @-@ off of On n 'demande qu 'à en rire in which its best comedians performed without judges in a format similar to American entertainment . However , the show was unpopular with critics ? Le Nouvel Observateur 's Xavier Rousseau called it a " failed show " that " dashed hopes " ? and the ONDAR Show was cancelled after 13 episodes due to low viewing figures .

In 2013 , Tsamere joined the team of beIN Sports ' programme Lunch Time , which was hosted by Darren Tulett . In February 2014 , it was announced that Tsamere would host the TMC game show Canapé Quiz , an adaptation of the American Hollywood Game Night . The show featured two teams , each composed of three celebrities and one member of the public , competing in a series of games . Three weeks later , TMC announced that Canapé Quiz had been cancelled and new episodes were to be moved to a later timeslot because of low viewing figures ? 10 days after its launch , it failed to pass 100 @ , @ 000 viewers . Discussing the show 's audience in an interview on Europe 1 , Tsamere stated that he did not care about the viewing figures , and also mentioned that he had received positive feedback about the show on Twitter , which he called " quite a revealing thing " . He also stressed that he has fun when filming Canapé Quiz . From 13 July 2015 , Tsamere will present the game show Une famille en or (the French version of Family Feud and Family Fortunes) when it returns on TMC ; it was previously presented by Christophe Dechavanne from 2007 to 2014 on TF1 . Tsamere said " It 's the challenge of taking the reins of a cult programme that interested me " .

He has also appeared on various game shows , including Mot de passe and Fort Boyard (French versions of Million Dollar Password and The Crystal Maze respectively) , as well as the chat show La nuit nous appartient on NRJ 12 . In 2012 , he performed on Rire & Chansons , a comedy and musical radio station .

= = = Film = = =

In 2011 , Tsamere 's first film role was Séverin in Charles Nemes ' Au bistro du coin . In the same year , he appeared in Pascale Pouzadoux 's La Croisière , and in the short films Le Métro (directed by Dianeïa Schaefer) and Deal (Wilfried Méance) . Tsamere played the character of Vincent in Arnaud Demanche 's short film Being Homer Simpson , in which he appeared alongside Philippe Peythieu and Véronique Augereau , the voice actors of Homer and Marge respectively in the French dub of the animated series The Simpsons . He also starred alongside José Garcia in Fonzy , a remake of the film Starbuck , in which he plays Maître Chasseigne . It was released on 30 October 2013 .

= = = Sports journalism = = =

Tsamere has written several columns about sport for the newspaper Le Monde , on topics such as golfer Tiger Woods , the cyclists Chris Froome and Lance Armstrong in the Tour de France , and the French football league Ligue 1 . In July 2015 , an article he wrote entitled " And then along came Sky and ruined everything " , which accused Froome of doping , was cited by BBC News 's Paris correspondent Hugh Schofield as an example of the hostility of the French press towards the cyclist .

= = Style and influences = =

Tsamere 's style can be described as absurd humour , which according to him " has no hold on current events , politics or religion " . He is a specialist in improvisation . He is known for his " slow burn " technique (a term coined by On n 'demande qu 'à en rire jury member Jean @-@ Luc Moreau) , in which he talks about a subject before moving on to another and repeatedly interrupting

himself to return to the initial subject . His humour is popular with television audiences , and has boosted On n 'demande qu 'à en rire 's viewing figures .

On his website , Tsamere provides a link to that of François Rollin , as well as to that of English comedian Ricky Gervais , whom he calls " my absolute master " . Other role models of his are the brothers Simon and Alexandre Astier ? he says of them and Gervais that he " could watch them perform anything " . He has stated that his favourite director is Tim Burton , linking this to his surreal style .

= = Personal life = =

Tsamere 's partner is the racing driver and television presenter Margot Laffite (daughter of Jacques Laffite) ; their first child was born on 4 February 2015 .

Tsamere is a cycling enthusiast and a fan of association football ; he called the latter " My first great love to which I have remained faithful for so many years " . He is a user of Twitter and describes himself as " a bit of a geek " , but says that he never retweets fans . He uses an iPad , which he says has allowed him to read more : he " love [s] new technology like a kid " . Tsamere quit smoking in June 2012 , saying that tobacco " disgusted " him ; he uses an electronic cigarette .

He enjoys romantic comedy films , of which his favourites are Pretty Woman and Notting Hill . Tsamere 's favourite television programme is the Belgian documentary series Strip @-@ Tease , and he describes himself as " a real TV addict " . He also likes Grey 's Anatomy , and Hero Corp , in which he appears ? he says he is " not ashamed " to watch himself . He has read Une Vie by Guy de Maupassant , which he described as " so beautiful " , and the biography of Apple Inc. founder Steve Jobs , which he said is " the story of an incredible life " .

= = Credits = =

= = = Film = = =

= = = Short films = = =

= = = Television = = =

= = = = Non @-@ fictional appearances = = = =

= = = Radio = = =

2011 ? : On va s 'gêner on Europe 1 (regular commentator)

2012 : Rire & Chansons

= = = Theatre = = =

= = = General = = =

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