



Ryan O'Quinn is a twenty-two year veteran of the entertainment industry and president of Damascus Road Productions, a production company dedicated to high quality family entertainment with a positive message. He has created, produced and starred in content across all mediums since 1996.

Sony Pictures' "BELIEVE", produced by and starring O'Quinn was named "2016 Christian Film of the Year" by The Christian Film Review and took top honors at a ceremony in 2017.

In October 2016 O'Quinn signed a distribution deal with Overbrook Entertainment (Will Smith, Jada Pinkett Smith) via their output deal at Sony Pictures and he currently oversees faith and family development and acquisition.

O'Quinn began his career in Hollywood as an actor and was represented by the William Morris Agency and acclaimed talent manager Ross Brown. Brown's client roster included only nine other select clients including Peter O'Toole, Paul Rudd, John Hamm and Julie Christie.

In the 2000s O'Quinn experienced success primarily in episodic and sitcom television including memorable roles on *Beverly Hills 90210*, *Alias*, *JAG* and *ER*. His first two feature films were Tom Hanks' directorial debut, *That Thing You Do* and Sony's iconic *Starship Troopers* directed by Paul Verhoeven.

In 2003 O'Quinn began headlining large-platform comedy events and became familiar to mega-church and family audiences around the country as a highly sought after speaker, author and improv comedian. He was the face of LifeWay's *Fuel* program and co-wrote and starred in 58 episodes of the series that was distributed by the largest publisher of Christian resource material in the world.

He was also a host and emcee of "Disney's Night of Joy" that saw attendances upwards of 25,000 nightly, a host of Willow Creek's Global Leadership Summit broadcast around the world and a barrage of high profile music tours, concert events and conferences.

As a co-founder of *DadDudes*, a production entity focused on family comedy content, O'Quinn found fame as a viral video star with the release of *Dads Respond to Disney's 'Frozen'*. He was named YouTube Star of the Month, YouTube Star of the Moment and became a regular contributor on *Fox and Friends* as a parenting expert and comedic addition to the Saturday morning program. BuzzFeed named O'Quinn among the "Top Parents of the Year that Made us Laugh" and the video was named #1 comedy video of the year by a variety of outlets.

O'Quinn authored the #1 best-selling book *Parenting Rules: The Hilarious Handbook for Surviving Parenthood* which reached number one in six Amazon categories including "Fastest-selling", "Parenting", "Parenting Humor" and "Relationships". It was also the #3 overall best-selling humor book on Amazon behind John Cleese and Amy Poehler in December 2014.

The book is currently optioned for a half-hour sitcom by Dean Holland, Emmy-winning Executive Producer of *The Office*, *Parks and Recreation*, *Brooklyn Nine Nine*, *Love*, *The Good Place*, *Splitting Up Together*.

He followed up with a second book, the acclaimed *Marriage Rules: The Hilarious Handbook for Surviving Marriage* that was released the following year.

O'Quinn's everyman approach to comedy gave him a unique voice to say exactly what most people were thinking in a family-friendly way and made him a favorite among media outlets including television and radio stations that have licensed his brand of content around the world.

O'Quinn has been named brand ambassador for a series of campaigns including Disney's "Hello Airtime" product that provides parental content filtering for smartphones, a spokesperson for Chick-fil-A's Waffle Wednesday campaign and the face of Back-to-Family Games' line of products including apps and board games.

Presently O'Quinn's Damascus Road Productions has 14 titles in development and 7 in post-production. Three features have been greenlit for distribution in 2018 and 2019 via Smith Global Media / Sony and he is developing a series starring Tank Jones, Patrick Muldoon and Denise Richards. He will next be seen alongside Romany Malco in the comedy *Prison Logic* and has been cast in the upcoming feature films *Roadkill McGillicutty*, *The Translator*, *Ticket to Nashville*, and *Providence*.

O'Quinn lives in Los Angeles with his wife of sixteen years, photographer Heather O'Quinn and their three children. He is repped by Buchwald Talent. For media requests contact Leslie Burbridge at Rogers & Cowan.