

Twist of Lemmon

“Growing up the one question I was asked more than any other was what is it like to be Jack Lemmon’s son.

My father Jack Lemmon was one of the world’s most beloved actors. What a number of people don’t know, however, is that he played the piano, really quite well, and that being a musician was his dream. But acting... that was his passion, and the whole world adored him for it. So what was it like being this guys son? And whether it be genetics, or just the way of the world, you’re born with the same dreams and aspirations? How do you follow in the footsteps of a giant. Especially when that giant is your dad?... For me it began by trying to understand, not only who he was to me... but really who *I* was to him...”

These are the words Chris Lemmon speaks just before he becomes Jack Lemmon in the new one man stage show “Twist of Lemmon”. Told entirely in the voice of his father, the touching narrative explores this unique, yet universal father/son journey. The impact of worldwide superstardom, divorce, separation - yet the yearning desire on both son and father’s part to fight against the tidal forces tearing them further and further apart, to finally become the very best of friends, against all odds, shortly before Jack’s untimely death in 2001.

With some of the greatest music of the era, as well as a number of his personal compositions, pianist and actor Chris Lemmon tells this heart-wrenching, and ultimately heart-warming story that will make you laugh and cry, and then laugh some more. A true father/son story from the golden age of Hollywood.