



The **podcast** where we **quiz** the smartest **celebrities** we know and find out why they **love** what they love!

*Go Fact Yourself* is a celebrity trivia game show, hosted by **J. Keith van Straaten** (Senior Writer, “Ask Me Another”) and **Helen Hong** (recurring panelist on "Wait Wait Don't Tell Me"), and produced in collaboration with the **Maximum Fun** podcast network (producers of NPR's "Bullseye").

Past guests include:

- Actors: Rachel Bloom, Rachel Dratch, Heidi Gardner, Walter Koenig, Laraine Newman, Michael Pena, Alice Ripley, Yeardley Smith, Lea Thompson, Wil Wheaton, Fred Willard
- Athletes: Colt Cabana, Ryan Kalil
- Authors: Jonathan Ames, Roxane Gay, Susan Orlean, David Pogue
- Comedians: Maria Bamford, Lewis Black, Margaret Cho, Pete Holmes, Paul F. Tompkins
- Journalists: Molly Ball, Hari Sreenivasan, Jessica Yellin
- Musicians: Jonatha Brooke, Nellie McKay, Thao Nguyen, Grant-Lee Phillips
- Public Radio Hosts: Ophira Eisenberg, Bill Kurtis, Peter Sagal, Jesse Thorn, Glynn Washington
- TV Hosts: Tom Bergeron, Wink Martindale

Guests supply us with a few topics they know about (outside their field of work), and we pick one of them to quiz them on.

Topics cover everything from pop culture to science to history, and have included:

- Alfred Hitchcock Movies
- Artificial Sweeteners
- “Beverly Hills, 90210”
- Boston Red Sox
- Celine Dion
- Chicken Husbandry
- Frequent Flier Programs
- The Gutenberg Bible
- Mars
- Menopause
- Minnesota Cuisine
- Otters
- *Pretty Woman*
- Victorian England

After the quiz, a surprise expert in that topic joins the show, discusses the topic, and lets the celebrity guest geek out. Our experts have been actors, writers, directors, mayors, professors, US Senators, scientists, business leaders, athletes, musicians and more. Their accolades include Oscars, Peabodys, Olympic Gold Medals, the Pulitzer Prize, the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and National League Rookie of the Year.

Some of our previous experts include musician **DJ Jazzy Jeff** (for the topic of The Career of Will Smith), sports legend **Tara Lipinski** (for Figure Skating), **Senator Barbara Boxer** (for US Senate 2000-2021), author **Larry Niven** (for Sci-Fi Literature), Broadway legend **Betty Buckley** (for Broadway in the 1960s), TV star **Suzanne Somers** (for “Three's Company”) and comedian **Tommy Chong** (for Marijuana).

Recorded pre-pandemic with a live audience, *Go Fact Yourself* transitioned in 2020 to recording remotely, and releases new episodes every **first and third Friday**. In 2022, we will release our **100<sup>th</sup> episode**. We have **over 500 5-star reviews** on Apple Podcasts and have been featured in *The New York Times*.

*Go Fact Yourself* is created by, written, and produced by Jim Newman and J. Keith van Straaten. The show is available at [gofactyourpod.com](http://gofactyourpod.com) or wherever you get podcasts.