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'Howard Stern's' Artie Lange to perform for local benefit at the Detroit Opera House

by Jessica Nunez | [MLive.com](#)

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[Artie Lange's](#) stand up performance at the Detroit Opera House in October will be a little different than his usual. When he makes the trip to Motown, the money he makes won't go into his pocket, but a local resident's instead.

The raunchy "Howard Stern Show" co-host will participate in a benefit to raise money for someone he can relate to -- Beverly Hills, Mich. resident and Quicken Loans employee [Adam Niskar](#).



AP photo

Artie Lange

Both Lange and Niskar have had their lives changed by spinal injuries.

For Lange, a well-known actor, radio personality and stand up comedian, the experience came through his father. He became a quadriplegic after falling from a roof and breaking his back.

For Niskar, the injury had a more direct effect. In 1999, he hit his head after diving into Walnut Lake in West Bloomfield and doctors told him he would never walk again.

Since then, Niskar's family has held countless benefits to raise money for his never-ending medical bills.

According to Niskar's [Web site](#), Adam's brother Ross came up with the idea to invite Lange to a benefit after reading about his experience in his book "Too Fat to Fish" and hearing him talk about it on the radio.

Lange agreed to come and waived any performance fees.

Tickets are \$30 to \$60 on [Ticketmaster](#).

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