Laurel & Hardy – A Fine Pair!
Their Lives, Careers, and the Hal Roach Years and Films
Instructor: Michael Walsh
Syllabus for Spring Semester 2021

Course Prerequisites: None
Materials Needed: None

The lives and careers of Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy

Special emphasis on the team’s association with Hal Roach

How Stanley and Ollie teamed up and became one of the world’s most beloved comedy teams

Screen many of the restored Laurel & Hardy talkies that were made with Hal Roach

Discuss the originality of and chemistry between Stanley and Ollie

Behind the scenes information

Additional videos, newsreels, and interviews of Laurel & Hardy

Why Laurel & Hardy are still popular long after their careers ended and deaths

How Laurel & Hardy became models and idols for many comics and comedians who followed

This course will not include the team’s silent films, and we don’t want the students to be silent either – class participation is enthusiastically encouraged!