

**Thea Deley**  
**Writer/Performer**



Hailed as “Paonia’s Queen of Comedy” by the *Glenwood Springs Post Independent*, **Thea Deley** has written and performed sketch and musical comedy with the Ship of Fools improv troupe, the Delta County Film Collective, the District 81428 Fashion Show, and as a solo performer. She studied improvisational comedy at Second City in Hollywood and Improv-Vegas in Sin City. Khickerkast, one of NYC’s best improv troupes, invited Thea to open for their Paonia show in 2008. Her film, “SonShades,” won Best Comedy at the 2012 Paonia Film Festival. Thea also wrote the script for *High Country News*’ promo video, “iDemand an iPad App,” which the Poynter Institute said “raises [the] bar for clever mobile promotions.”

A proud military brat, Thea lived in 11 places by the time she was 14 — and attended 13 different churches. Living in what was then West Germany influenced her tremendously as a child. Thea believes the most patriotic thing an American can do is challenge cultural institutions like religion and government. “If we buy the illusion that any doctrine—including Christianity—is sacred, we won’t question it,” she says. “I think that’s dangerous, irresponsible even.” Thea currently tackles the most sacred of topics in her first full-length solo show, *Jesus Loves You! (but hates me)*, a multimedia comedy.

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