

NEW PROGRAMS 2024



Image: Ladies in Black

White Fever

A cheeky comedy about a Korean-Australian on a provocative dating quest

Jane (creator/writer Ra Chapman) is a cocky Korean-Australian adoptee who sets out to 'reprogram' her romantic and sexual leanings after her friends call her out for having 'white fever'. As it follows Jane's provocative dating quest through some strange and surreal turns, *White Fever* spotlights complex and likeable characters against a backdrop of race, identity and belonging.

From hens' nights to country weddings, from 'gotcha days' (an adoption celebration) to heart-to-hearts in a boxing ring, *White Fever* is an action-packed, wild ride through Asian pop culture. Full of laugh-out-loud moments, the real heart of the series lies in Jane's journey, as it explores the territory of family, adoption, cultural roots and social conditioning.

6 X 30'
BLACK SHEEP FILMS, ORANGE ENTERTAINMENT CO.
& UNRULY PRODUCTIONS
FORMAT AVAILABLE



Ladies in Black

A bold, vibrant drama series set in the fabulous 60s featuring a stellar cast

It's 1961. Girls are risking arrest to wear bikinis on the beach. Women are faking marriage certificates to get the pill. In 'Ladieswear' at Goodes luxury department store, it's all hats, gloves and foundation garments – but for the women who serve behind the counter, the sixties are about to start swinging!

Amidst a backdrop of major societal shifts, the women who work at of Goodes embrace their freedom and independence. But the revolution in both society and fashion divides the 'ladies in black' – testing their personal choices and casting shadows over their once cherished dreams.

Based on the world and characters of Madeleine St John's beloved novel, and picking up six months after the events of Bruce Beresford's film, *Ladies in Black* dives into the fashion, romance, excitement and challenge of women's lives at a time of momentous transformation.

Directed by Gracie Otto (*The Artful Dodger*, *The Clearing*, *Heartbreak High*) and starring Debi Mazar (*Kaos*, *Younger*, *Entourage*), Miranda Otto (*The Clearing*, *Talk To Me*) and Jessica De Gouw (*The Union*, *The Artful Dodger*, *The Secret She Keeps*) alongside talented newcomers Clare Hughes and Azizi Donnelly.

6 X 60'
BUNYA PRODUCTIONS

Sexy, stylish...utterly gorgeous
– Sydney Morning Herald

Big on style and substance...
a joy to watch
– Who Magazine



Muster Dogs: Where Are They Now?

A road trip around the country to visit the puppies and families that have won hearts everywhere

Fans and canine fanatics alike will rejoice as Muster Dogs goes on the road, catching up with the families and puppies from the first two series, and offering audiences another window into their lives – delving into what’s most important to them at heart and sharing the adventures that have ensued since starting on their journey.

4 X 30’ OR 1 X 60’
 AMBIENCE ENTERTAINMENT
 FORMAT AVAILABLE



6 X 30’
 DOCKER MEDIA
 FORMAT AVAILABLE

I Was Actually There

A bold, new documentary series that explores defining moments of recent history through the eyes, ears and voices of those who witnessed them firsthand

Creator/director Kirk Docker returns with this compelling new series which spotlights a range of moments in history from the legendary to the less well known - encompassing nation-defining tragedies, impassioned protest movements, sporting and cultural celebrations. A range of characters, decades, beliefs and personalities feature on screen amongst them victims, first responders, bystanders, journalists and many others.

A podcast companion series is also available.

C21 International Format Awards
 2024: Nomination Best Factual
 Entertainment category

6 X 60’
 AMBIENCE ENTERTAINMENT
 FORMAT AVAILABLE



Muster Dogs

Series 3

Border Collies and Kelpies face-off in the latest season of the ABC’s smash hit series

Series 3 of the much-loved series puts an exciting new twist in the experiment; this new season seeks to better understand these top two working dog breeds, and to settle the age-old debate of which breed reigns supreme.

In this series, six passionate graziers embark on a challenge to each train a puppy (three will adopt a Kelpie and three a Border Collie), with the aim that, over twelve months, the pups will become efficient working members of their owner’s mustering pack. All the pups and graziers reunite for the season finale, where one dog will have shown the aptitude, skill and personality to rise to the top and be crowned Champion Muster Dog.



Maggie Beer’s Big Mission

The national treasure and food icon delivers aged care residents a new appetite for life

Spurred by shocking findings from a recent Aged Care Royal Commission which exposed extraordinarily high levels of neglect, social isolation and malnutrition in elderly Australians living in aged care, Senior Australian of the Year Maggie Beer OA leads an ambitious world-first social experiment. Captured in this series, Maggie and her team transform the meals and dining experience at an aged care home, restoring health and joy to the residents and carers.

C21 International Format
 Awards 2024: Nomination
 Best Factual Entertainment,
 Best Host of a TV Format

3 X 60’
 ARTEMIS MEDIA
 FORMAT AVAILABLE



Miriam Margolyes: Impossibly Australian

Miriam's off on a new adventure – and this time it's personal


After a significant health scare, Miriam embarks on a new journey of discovery to the places she's always wanted to visit, hoping to meet people who can teach her what it means to embrace change and face the future, no matter the obstacles.

3 X 60'
SOUTHERN PICTURES

Meet The Neighbours

A bold, social experiment that sees eight households swap city life for a small regional town

In an attempt to breathe new life into a country town and address the challenges it faces, households from diverse cultural backgrounds are invited to try living and working there for three months.



3 X 60'
BLACKFELLA FILMS
FORMAT AVAILABLE

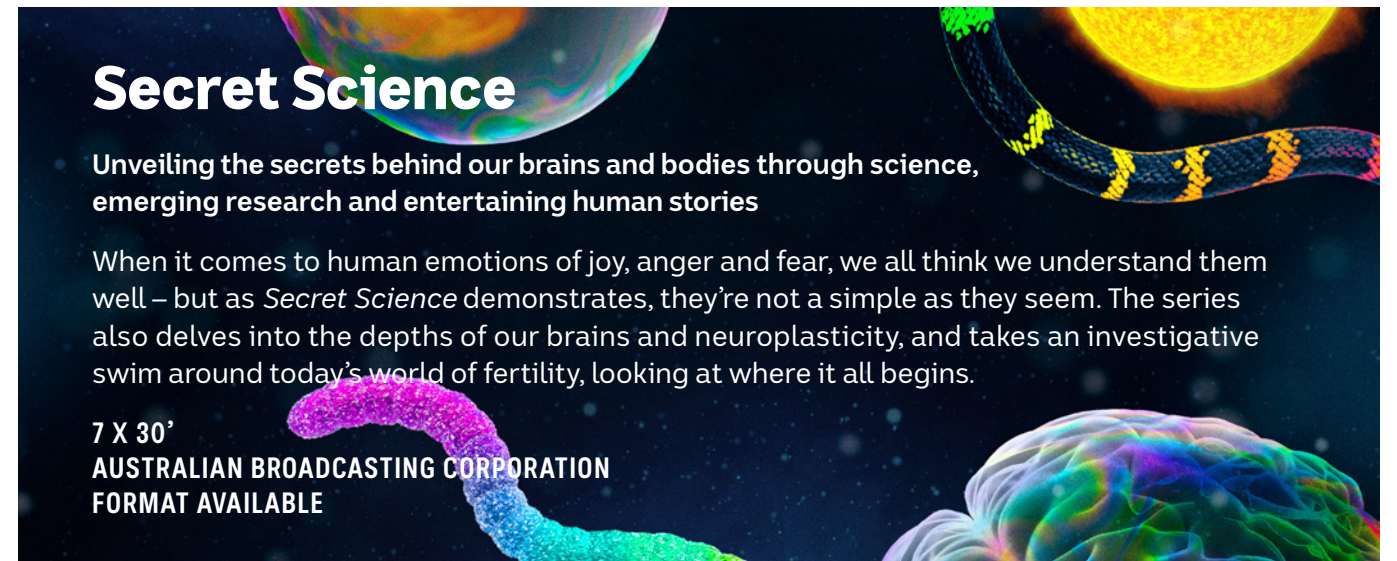


Who The Bloody Hell Are We?

Uncovering the stories that the history books left out

Accessible, provocative, and unexpected, this playful history series explores the Australian story through the lens of some of the nation's most intriguing multicultural communities.

3 X 60' · CHEMICAL MEDIA
FORMAT AVAILABLE



Secret Science

Unveiling the secrets behind our brains and bodies through science, emerging research and entertaining human stories

When it comes to human emotions of joy, anger and fear, we all think we understand them well – but as *Secret Science* demonstrates, they're not as simple as they seem. The series also delves into the depths of our brains and neuroplasticity, and takes an investigative swim around today's world of fertility, looking at where it all begins.

7 X 30'
AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
FORMAT AVAILABLE



Megafauna: What Killed Australia's Giants?

This spectacular 2-part series narrated by Hugh Jackman uncovers an extraordinary mystery

Australia was once home to a group of extraordinary animals known as Megafauna – giants who lived here for millions of years. In a blink of time, they disappeared forever – and what became of them has been debated for over a century.

Now a team of scientists re-open this paleolithic cold case to uncover the answers to this age-old mystery.

2 X 60'
AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION



The Secret Life of Our Urban Birds

Our feathery friends are closer than you think

Host and self-confessed bird-nerd Dr Ann Jones delves into the fascinating world of Australia's feathered city dwellers. From Sydney's iconic cockatoos to Perth's majestic wedge-tailed eagles, Melbourne's adaptable magpies, and Brisbane's chaotic brush-turkey, this series explores the unique behaviours, adaptations, and challenges faced by these urban avians.

4 X 60'
AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION



Off Menu

A fascinating, behind-the-scenes look at some of Australia's top restaurants and their extraordinary owners

This fantastic new trilogy goes behind the scenes at some of Australia's top restaurants, revealing the unique and deeply personal stories that have shaped owners Josh Niland (according to Jamie Oliver, one of the most interesting chefs on the planet), Shaun Christie-David (an unstoppable force who runs a restaurant empire with a difference) and Kylie Kwong (a culinary legend who reflects on her path to success).

HD 3 X 60'
AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION



Restoration Australia

Series 6 & 7

Follow the progress and pitfalls of restoration enthusiasts who will stop at almost nothing to revitalise their beloved buildings

Host Anthony Burke follows homeowners across the country as they restore rural homesteads, grand inner-city terraces, iconic modernist masterpieces and inner-city industrial sites.

SERIES 6: 6 X 60' · SERIES 7: 6 X 60'
AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
FORMAT AVAILABLE



Back Roads

Series 10

Take a road less travelled and visit some of the small towns and communities that make Australia special

Back Roads transports audiences to some of the nation's most remote and inspiring communities, highlighting rural Australia's trademark grit, generosity and humour. With high production values and exceptional cinematography, *Back Roads* is a warm and engaging travelogue of rural Australia.

16 X 30'
AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
FORMAT AVAILABLE

A Bite To Eat With Alice

Food and conversation are the perfect partners in this colourful new cooking show that focuses on sustainability and accessibility with maximum fun

Hosted by renowned cook, author, columnist, radio presenter and culinary correspondent Alice Zaslavsky, this delicious new series is set to become a foodie favourite – focusing on recipes that are simple and fresh, that are built around accessible and affordable ingredients, and that can be readily prepared at home.

Warm and inspiring, *A Bite To Eat with Alice* is as much about nourishing ourselves with conversation and authentic connection as it is about food.

50 X 30'
AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

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LIFESTYLE



Gardening Australia

Series 35

The country's premier gardening and lifestyle show provides practical and trustworthy advice to engage, inform and inspire

Presented by leading horticultural experts and passionate gardeners, the series regularly features tips on organic gardening, recycling, pruning, and container gardening – demonstrating what can be achieved, no matter the skill level or home environment.

SERIES 35: 38 X 60'
AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
FORMAT AVAILABLE

Living With Devils

A unique and fascinating creature stars in this stunning natural history special

In a wild and windswept corner of Australia, acclaimed filmmaker and animal whisperer Simon Plowright spends a year living with the iconic but endangered marsupial, the Tasmanian Devil.

Revolving around a mother devil and her four adorable, rascally youngsters, it is a rare opportunity to experience the daily lives of these wonderful creatures.

Features a stunning score by Maria Grenfell performed by the Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra and made by the team behind the hit ABC documentary *Quoll Farm*.

2 X 60'
IN FILMS

NATURAL HISTORY



'Simon Plowright...has a voice MADE for nature docs, rivalling the lower case godfather of them all, Sir David himself. Seek this out – it's great'
– The West Australian

ARTS & MUSIC



★★★★
'A sumptuous, exuberant showcase'
– The Guardian

Don Quixote

A new production from the world-renowned company The Australian Ballet

This wildly colourful, palpably textured stage spectacle recreates Rudolf Nureyev and Robert Helpmann's 1973 *Don Quixote* film.

The production resembles a painting come to life, enriched by a Spanish-flavoured score by 19th-century ballet composer Ludwig Minkus and vibrant costumes and sets that immerse audiences in a sultry experience of classical ballet.

1 X 120'
THE AUSTRALIAN BALLET

ARTS & MUSIC



The Whiteley Art Scandal

A rare, behind the scenes look at the glamorous and high-stakes world of art dealing

A gripping true-crime story that shines uncovers the truth behind the glossy art world of the rich and connected.

A car salesman turned art dealer buys what he believes to be a genuine painting by acclaimed Australian artist Brett Whiteley – and finds himself in the middle of a sensational trial when suspicions are raised about its authenticity.

Features plot twists worthy of a thriller and extraordinary access to key players, including Peter Gant and Wendy Whiteley.

2 X 60'
IN FILMS

Handa Opera on Sydney Harbour: La Traviata

A breathtaking production by Opera Australia performed with Sydney Harbour as its backdrop

Witness the joy and heartache of the world's most popular opera on Sydney's spectacular harbour, as fireworks light up the sky and a giant chandelier shimmers over the stage.

In *La Traviata*, the story that inspired *Moulin Rouge*, Stacey Alleaume plays Violetta, scaling the thrilling heights of Verdi's score, opposite tenor Rame Lahaj as Alfredo, the man Violetta falls dangerously in love with.

1 X 120'
THE AUSTRALIAN BALLET



CURRENT AFFAIRS



Kidfluencers

An investigation inside the world of 'kidfluencers' where children make thousands from social media — at a cost.

1 X 60' · ABC · FOUR CORNERS



The Forever War

An engaging interview-led exposé goes to the heart of Israel's war machine and one of the most controversial wars of modern times.

1 X 60' · ABC · FOUR CORNERS

Faking It

An inside investigation into the shadowy world of the counterfeit fashion industry.

1 X 30' · ABC · FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT



The Arctic Chill

An investigation taking us to one of the most remote places on earth to explore Russia's ambitions on Norwegian soil.

1 X 30' · ABC · FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

South Korea's Sham Adoptions

A documentary exploring the history of the Korean adoption system amidst claims of falsified documents, duplicate identities and even children stolen.

1 X 30' · ABC · FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT



Time Bomb

An investigation into how World War II is still wreaking havoc in the Pacific.

1 X 30' · ABC · FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

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