

# The Masked Singer Australia

Premieres Monday  
11 September at 7.30pm



THE MOST  
SURPRISING  
REVEAL  
EVER



# Synopsis

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It's less of a whodunnit, and more of a who sung it.

Defying all tropes of the reality competition genre, **The Masked Singer Australia** is back with the bonkers scale of this addictive singing competition, cranked to new levels of spirited madness.

The most over-the-top costume party will see local and international superstars bravely step into the spotlight for another season of the hit sensation, that has viewers across Australia screaming "take it off!".

Leading the nation's biggest guessing game is a panel of powerhouse detectives: global pop phenomenon Melanie Brown (aka Mel B of The Spice Girls), radio royalty Chrissie Swan, pop-culture icon Abbie Chatfield and professional funny man Dave Hughes. Hosted by one of Australia's most trusted TV hosts, Osher Günsberg, **The Masked Singer Australia** will make you smile, drive you crazy and leave you wanting more.

With each goosebump-inducing performance, our panel will be left to decipher who is singing behind the mask, with the aid of our carefully curated clue packages that would trick even the most impressive internet sleuth.

Expect Met Gala worthy costumes, a varying range of singing prowess, behind the scenes secrecy that puts *Get Smart* to shame, a panel of pop culture junkies, and above all, a show that will leave you asking yourself: "What the hell did I just watch?"



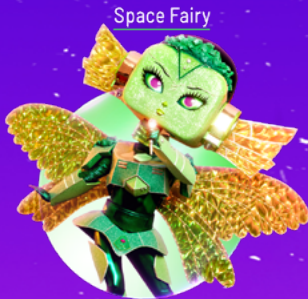
# The Masks

From the creative mind of Oscar, BAFTA, AFI and Tony Award-winning costume designer Tim Chappel, **The Masked Singer Australia** celebrities will go incognito underneath some of the wildest and wackiest costumes to ever sing and dance their way into your imagination.

Meet the next gen of masked singers:



Fawn



Space Fairy



Blue Bottle



Tiny



Cowgirl



The Captain



Orca



Crash Test Dummy



Snow Fox



Burger Gal



Bouncer



Bad Avocado



Grim Reaper



# Osher Günsberg

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## Host

Enter Osher Günsberg, one of Australia's most trusted TV hosts and passionate music experts. In recent years, Osher is best known for his work as the nation's most famous matchmaker in his role as host of **The Bachelor Australia**

During a busy decade, 1999-2009, Osher was at the forefront of Australia's popular music industry, working as a music presenter on Foxtel's Channel V; hosting national hit radio program *Take 40 Australia* and helping to create music superstars as co-host on Network 10's *Australian Idol*.

Outside of television, Osher has been a pretty big deal on radio. Starting on the airwaves in 1994 at Brisbane's B105 on the overnight shift, he rapidly moved to a national audience with *Take 40 Australia* and *The Hot Osher Günsberg Hits Live from LA*. From 2016 to 2017 Osher was part of Hit105's *Stav, Abby & Matt with Osher* breakfast show and *Osher's Love Line* nationally on the HIT Network. He's currently co-host of the world's first 24/7 music trivia station *iHeart Trivia* with long-time colleague Yumi Stynes.

Sensing an opportunity, Osher was early to podcasting launching *Better Than Yesterday* in 2013, now in its tenth year and closing in on 10 million downloads. Three times a week, *Better Than Yesterday* brings a conversation with celebrated individuals who have managed to navigate life's challenges while following their passions to lead authentic, fulfilling lives.

Never one to sit still, in recent years Osher has written a book, *Back After The Break* which became a sell-out national live show; and has produced and starred in the live satirical news show *NTNNNN* which played at both the Melbourne and Sydney comedy festivals. He's continued his advocacy work supporting issues that are close to his heart – mental health, and sustainability primarily through his work on the board at WeRide Australia.





# Mel B

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## Panellist Bio

Melanie Brown MBE aka Mel B is one of the world's most iconic entertainers. One fifth of the most successful girl band ever, the Spice Girls, she went on to carve out a global career as a television entertainer, theatre performer, a movie actress and author of a best-selling autobiography, *Brutally Honest*.

Her career began as a teenager in the 90s with the pop phenomenon, Spice Girls. As the so-called 'Scary Spice' she became one of the most recognisable women in the world. The Spice Girls remain the most successful girl group of all time, selling 85 million records and creating the biggest British cultural impact around the globe since The Beatles. Together they created and spearheaded the Girl Power movement.

Since the band split in 2000, Melanie – who is a mother to three daughters, Phoenix, Angel and Madison – went on to carve a new career as a host of television shows. Consistently voted 'most popular' judge on shows from America's Got Talent to The X Factor UK, she embraced a whole new generation to become one of the most recognised faces on television, fronting shows from *Lip Sync UK*, *The X Factor* in Britain and Australia, *Dancing With The Stars* in Australia, *America's Got Talent* and *Celebrity Juice*.

As a born performer, she has also starred in string of movies including *The Seat Filler*. She has appeared in London's West End and on Broadway in *Rent* and most recently as Roxie Hart in *Chicago*, winning massive acclaim from audiences and critics alike.

But in 2018 when her explosive book, *Brutally Honest*, was published, newly divorced Melanie was propelled from celebrity superstar to a serious advocate for anyone who had ever been abused.

She was made Patron of Women's Aid in 2018 and in 2019 was invited by former British Prime Minister, Theresa May to help her work on a parliamentary bill designed to aid other victims. The same year, she was reunited with Geri Halliwell, Mel C and Emma Bunton to tour the UK with the Spice Girls, a triumphant return to the stage which became the biggest UK tour of the year. Last year the girls marked their 25th anniversary as the Spice Girls and the 25th anniversary of their first massive hit, *Wannabe*.

Melanie now lives in her hometown of Leeds with her family and was awarded an MBE by the Queen for her services to survivors of domestic abuse in 2022.





# Chrissie Swan

## Panellist Bio

For 20 years Chrissie has graced Australian television screens and radio airwaves, showcasing her knack for the spoken word, her off the cuff antics and her down to earth personality.

After seven years as part of the ACRA award winning Nova 100 Melbourne breakfast show, *Chrissie, Sam & Brownny*, in 2023 she was given her own show as host of the Nova Network's new national afternoon show *The Chrissie Swan Show*. During her long and successful broadcast career she has taken both the *Chrissie, Sam & Brownny* show and Melbourne's Mix 101.1 breakfast show with Jane Hall, to number one FM in Melbourne.

One of Australia's favourite and most versatile personalities, in 2022 Chrissie stepped up to **The Project** desk during Carrie Bickmore's European adventure, hot off the back of hosting the first season of **Would I Lie To You Australia**. She also joined **The Masked Singer Australia** alongside host Osher Günsberg and fellow panellists Abbie Chatfield, Dave Hughes and Mel B.

A pioneer in the reality TV world, Chrissie was runner-up in the TV phenomenon *Big Brother* in 2003, was runner up on the first season of **I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here** and more recently joined the cast of *Celebrity MasterChef Australia* in 2021.

In 2010 Chrissie hosted Network 10's new morning chat show *The Circle* alongside Yumi Stynes, Gorgi Coghlan and Denise Drysdale. The Circle was honoured with three TV Week Logie nominations in 2011 and Chrissie won Most Popular Female Presenter as well as receiving a nomination for the highly prestigious Gold Logie.

In 2012 and 2013 Chrissie hosted *Can Of Worms* on Network 10 and was nominated for a 2013 Logie for Most Popular Female Presenter. In 2017 she co-hosted both *The Great Australian Spelling Bee* and *Find My Family* for Network 10.

A gifted writer who happily over-shares the amusing and sometimes challenging realities of day-to-day life for many working mums in Australia, Chrissie was a regular columnist for Sunday Life and Good Weekend, and for News Limited's Weekend magazine. She published her first book *Is It Just Me? (Confessions Of An Over-Sharer)* in 2015.

Chrissie is a committed parent to her three beautiful children and is an ambassador for Priceline, Lortsmith Animal Hospital and Foodbank.





# Abbie Chatfield

## Panellist Bio

Abbie Chatfield is a force to be reckoned with.

No one would have expected a **Bachelor Australia** contestant from Brisbane to have such an impact on the Australian media landscape. But Abbie's electric personality, unfiltered opinions and unfaltering confidence has seen her build an army of fans in Australia and internationally.

In television, Abbie has dominated. Post **The Bachelor Australia** and **Bachelor In Paradise Australia** she headed to the **I'm A Celebrity, Get Me Out Of Here** jungle in 2021. Taking out the crown thanks to overwhelming public vote, Abbie was the first person under-30 to win the show, scoring \$100,000 for her charity Dementia Australia. As a host, Abbie has presented Nine's *Love Island Afterparty* and delivered her own TV special for 10 Play, *Abbie Chats*.

In the audio world, her podcast *It's A Lot*, which she started on the floor of her Brisbane apartment, is now in the top 10 most listened to in Australia, with over 800,000 downloads per month. Touching on everything from feminism and political issues to dating, friendships and sex, the podcast is going from strength to strength and continues to deliver for the LiSTNR Network. This partnership with Southern Cross Austereo spawned the radio show *Hot Nights with Abbie Chatfield* which aired on the Hit Network nationally until August 2023.

Social media has always been important to Abbie and as such she has one of the most engaged audiences in Australia. Boasting 455k followers on Instagram and 356k on TikTok, Abbie speaks to an audience in a way few can. It was this engaged audience that spawned her own beer brand *Spill!*

Abbie's other successes include ambassadorships with major brands UberEats, Myer, Libra and Tinder. She entered the world of live entertainment with Frontier Touring in 2022. Her first tour sold out in moments and kicked off at the Sydney Opera House. Her second live offering, *Trauma Dump Tour*, enjoyed similar success and rave reviews as a 'one of a kind, never before seen live offering'.

In a few short years Abbie has delivered across television, radio, social media and live but she's just getting started.





# Dave Hughes

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## Panellist Bio

Natural and unmistakably Australian, Dave Hughes is one of this country's fastest comedic minds. Turning everyday foibles into rich and hilarious routines delivered in his classic laconic style, Hughesy owns the stage.

Having dominated comedy clubs and stages for decades across the country, Dave's comedy career has expanded into television and radio. Dave currently co-hosts the hugely popular radio show *The Morning Crew* with Hughesy, Ed and Erin on the HIT Network. He is a judge on the Network 10's **The Masked Singer Australia**, wherein his incredible wardrobe, dad dancing and absolutely bonkers guesses have been highlights of this unique, runaway hit show.

Dave appears regularly on all your favourite Aussie TV programs including *The Hundred* on Channel Nine, **Celebrity Gogglebox** and **Would I Lie To You? Australia** on Network 10. Dave's TV show *Hughesy, We Have a Problem*, premiered on Network 10 in early 2018 to rave reviews and big audiences and ran for five consecutive seasons.

In 2022, Hughesy brought us a brand-new live show called *Trending*, which he performed at The Melbourne International Comedy Festival and Adelaide Fringe Festival. Hughesy's passion for his craft has never waned, and that's why you will still find him any night of the week jumping up at comedy clubs big and small across the country.

