

# Media Release

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## GOOD GAME 10<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY SPECIAL Good Game Celebrates 10 years of Video Gaming on the ABC

## 20<sup>TH</sup> September 7.30PM ON ABC2, and ABC iview



*Good Game*, the show for gamers by gamers, turns 10 on September 20<sup>th</sup> with a special celebratory episode filmed with a live studio audience at the ABC's iconic Studio 22 in Sydney.

It's an important milestone for the show which began in 2006 and has been nurtured for the past decade as Australian gamers flocked to the show, and its spin off offerings.

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To celebrate its decade of success, *Good Game* hosts Bajo (Steven O'Donnell) and Hex (Stephanie Bendixsen) and a party of special guests will entertain a live studio audience with games, lively discussion and hilarious highlights of the last ten years.

Legendary musical comedians and renowned gamers, *Tripod*, will provide the musical backdrop, while fellow gaming comedians Andrew Hansen, Jordan Raskopoulos, Michael Hing and Dave Callan will also be on hand to make sure nothing goes to plan!



#### About Good Game

The **10<sup>th</sup> Birthday Special** will be the 395<sup>th</sup> episode of *Good Game*. In its decade onair *Good Game* has reviewed well over 1000 games across 26 different gaming platforms.

What began as a weekly show for the digital channel ABC2, has grown into a multi program, multi-platform offering and now includes:

- Good Game Spawn Point made especially for younger gamers on ABC ME.
- *Good Game Pocket* a daily show for gamers on iview, You Tube, Twitch, Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.
- *Good Game Live* the live show that's been performed at Comedy Festivals and game-related conventions around the country.

Ten years on, *Good Game* is still led by Concept Creator and Series Producer Janet Carr.

#### About the Presenters

Steven 'Bajo' O'Donnell has been a video game critic, reviewer and presenter of *Good Game* and its companion show, *Good Game: Spawn Point* since 2007. He is also the co-creator and star of upcoming ABC and Screen Australia narrative comedy sci-fi series *Trip For Biscuits*.

Stephanie 'Hex' Bendixsen joined Good Game in 2009 as its first full-time female presenter. She's since become a well-known presence in the gaming industry, championing the positive representation of women in video games.

She is also the host of brand new 7-part ABC iview series *How To Be A Fan with Hex* which was released this month. In this series she's on a mission to find out what drives gamers' fandom, and to really understand it she's jumping in with both feet. From Cosplay, to joining a tribute band, to getting crafty or LARPing (Live Action Role Playing), she examines it all, looking at how far some people will go to celebrate their fandom for some of the biggest movies, TV shows, video games and comic book characters.

http://iview.abc.net.au/programs/how-to-be-a-fan-with-hex

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