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## Nazeem Hussain is burning his passport (again)!

## Season Two of the anti-travel podcast 'Burn Your Passport' has landed

In 2016 it was named the #1 podcast by iTunes. Today, the hilarious <u>Burn Your Passport</u> is back with another season of stand-up comic **Nazeem Hussain's** captivating brand of humour and stories of travel nightmares. According to Nazeem, travel sucks!

Season two features jungle buddies **Dane Swan**, **Casey Donovan**, **Julia Morris** and **Steve Price**, as well as UK stand-up legend **Phill Jupitus** and **Bill Nye the Science Guy**. Each week, Nazeem's guests recall their not-so-great, but oh-so-funny experiences that made them never want to leave home again.

Nazeem is very excited to be sharing more stories in season two of *Burn Your Passport*: "Word of warning, don't actually burn your passport," said Nazeem. "I thought the first series was good and I wanted to top that so I did some research and I've travelled the world; I've done a lot of travel. I know it goes against the premise of the podcast but I've been to the UK, the US, Middle East, the jungles of South Africa and Sri Lanka and have some hilarious stories to share."

"We've got a huge line up of guests, probably better than the first series if I'm honest – please don't tell the first series guests."

Head of Content and Digital **Linda Bracken** sees *Burn Your Passport* as a prime example of how developing comedy podcasts can reinvigorate the ABC's role in developing Australia's best new comedy talent.

"While Nazeem is hardly a stranger to the ABC, it's been our pleasure to help him take this new idea, storm the iTunes charts and gather an audience from around the world," she explains. "In the podcast space, we can be ruder, edgier and riskier with both the material and the talent we develop. Along the way, we might just uncover the next Nazeem Hussain."

Bracken's new podcast initiative, ABC Radio Comedy, is a collaboration with ABC's Head of TV Comedy **Rick Kalowski**. It's only one year old but has already gained a solid reputation with offerings such as <u>Burn Your Passport</u>, **Sami Shah's** <u>Laughing Dead</u> and the surrealist radio play series <u>Tokyo Hotel</u>.

Other guests featured are: Romesh Ranganathan, Joel Creasey, Deanne Smith, Stuart Goldsmith, Rose Matafeo, Des Bishop, Nick Cody, Karl Chandler, Myf Warhurst and Sam Pang.

Listen to *Burn Your Passport* via the <u>ABC Radio app</u>, on <u>iTunes</u> or wherever you get your favourite podcasts. Submit your own travel tales via <u>twitter</u> and on the <u>ABC podcasts Facebook page</u>.

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