

## Media Release

## ABC Radio Melbourne announces 2019 line-up

The 2019 program year for ABC Radio Melbourne sees fresh voices and long-time favourites return to the airwaves on Monday 21 January.

Melbourne will wake up with **Jacinta Parsons** & **Sami Shah** from 5.30am – 7.45am, while Mornings icon **Jon Faine** returns along with the popular *Conversation Hour*.

From 12.30pm – 2pm, expect a great mix of music, art and culture as **Myf Warhurst** returns. **Richelle Hunt** will keep you entertained with a fresh take on weekday *Afternoons* and as co-host of *The Friday Revue* with the inimitable **Brian Nankervis**.

Walkley-winning journalist **Raf Epstein** is back behind the wheel of *Drive* between 4pm - 6.30pm, ahead of current affairs program *PM* at 6.30pm.

Master wordsmith and crossword guru **David Astle** will present *Evenings* in 2019, picking up the baton from **Lindy Burns**, who announced last month that she wouldn't be returning to the station in 2019 due to family reasons.

After ten years presenting *Saturday Breakfast* and *Saturday Mornings*, **Hilary Harper** is moving to a new role at ABC Radio National as host of the flagship social affairs program *Life Matters*.

ABC Radio Melbourne is thrilled to welcome **Libbi Gorr** as the new voice of Weekends, as she brings her trademark warmth and humour to both Saturday and Sunday Mornings.

*Nightlife* with **Philip Clark / Sarah Macdonald** and *Overnights* with **Trevor Chappell / Rod Quinn** all return in 2019.

ABC Radio Melbourne Manager **Dina Rosendorff** said:

"We're looking forward to consolidating the line-up changes we made last year, bringing depth and distinctiveness to everything we do, connecting with the community and delivering some great listening across the week."

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