



Little Lunch: The Halloween Horror Story Premieres Monday 31 October at 5.00pm



Silvia's Italian Table Thursday 3 November at 8.00pm





Rosehaven Wednesday 2 November at 9.00pm



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Special

Little Lunch is a hugely successful Australian children's series of funny and touching adventures during snack time in the school playground. Based on the popular books, written by Danny Katz and illustrated by Mitch Vane, the series is adapted by Gristmill Productions. Featuring all original cast members; Rory, Atticus, Battie, Melanie, Debra-Jo, Tamara and Mrs Gonsha.

In The Halloween Horror Story: No one loves Halloween more than Atticus so he's delighted to be



starring in the school play, written especially for Halloween. But when Atticus' mother gets a job in Singapore, he discovers that the day of the play will be his last day of school, forever. The make-believe terror of Halloween is replaced by Atticus being genuinely petrified of leaving and starting a new life. All the children are sad to be saying goodbye to Atticus but none more so than Rory, who is losing his best friend. The Halloween Horror Story cracks open the heart of the spooky celebration to explore, beyond a scary costume, what it is that children really fear and how they can overcome it.

CAST: Flynn Curry, Joshua Sitch, Oisin O'Leary, Madison Lu, Faith Seci, Olivia Deeble and Heidi Arena.

#LittleLunch

Short Synopsis

When Atticus' mother gets a job overseas, he discovers that the day of the Halloween school play will be his last day of school. Suddenly Halloween doesn't seem scary, but leaving his friends, especially Rory, is terrifying.

Production details

A Gristmill Production in association with ABC3, Australian Children's Television Foundation, Screen Australia and Film Victoria. Written by Robyn Butler. Directed by Tim Bartley. Produced by Robyn Butler, Wayne Hope and Ben Grogan. Executive Producers Robyn Butler, Wayne Hope and Geoff Porz. ACTF Executive Producer Bernadette O'Mahony. ABC Executive Producer Chris Rose.

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<mark>★Top Pick</mark> Wednesday 2 November 9.00pm



Rosehaven

After failing to make a go of it - following the earlier open home debacle, it's Emma and Daniel's last day in Rosehaven and Emma is determined to have as much fun as possible. After visiting Daniel's childhood cubby house - only to find it's been overrun by Daniel's old school bully, Bruce - Emma convinces Daniel that even though he didn't do a brilliant job of running McCallum Real Estate, he should try and do all the other things he wished he could have done in Rosehaven, particularly stand up to his nemesis Bruce. Daniel is reluctant but



the office is quiet and there's nothing left for him to do so he allows Emma to drag him to Bruce's house.

Face-to-face with Bruce, Daniel buckles under the pressure. Emma has a plan to get Daniel to take on smaller challenges to rid himself of childhood defeats - in the hope of his returning to Bruce and confronting him once and for all. One of her challenges includes declaring to his ex-girlfriend (and town GP) Grace that he still likes her. When Daniel comes to the end of Emma's bucket list, he is finally ready to confront Bruce.

After arriving at Bruce's house once again and discovering he's not home, Daniel and Emma decide to spend their final night at Rosehaven's local pub. Many, many drinks later Bruce arrives at the pub with several of his mates only to be confronted by a very tipsy and annoyed Daniel. It doesn't go well...

#Rosehaven

Short synopsis

Daniel's childhood cubby house has been overrun by his old school bully Bruce. Emma convinces Daniel to confront Bruce and get his cubby house back.

Production details

Screen Australia and The Australian Broadcasting Corporation present A Guesswork Television / What Horse? Production. Created and Written by Luke McGregor and Celia Pacquola. Directed by Jonathan Brough and Shaun Wilson. Produced by Andrew Walker. Co-Producer Fiona McConaghy. Executive Producer Kevin Whyte. ABC Executive Producers Rick Kalowski and Brett Sleigh.

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Silvia's Italian Table

Olympian Cathy Freeman, media veteran George Negus and journalist Emma Alberici join Silvia as they talk about 'happiness'.

For entrée, the trio will help Silvia cook a roasted vegetable salad with lentils and fennel dressing. For some people, eating an Italian meal conjures up images of rich, heavy pastas and sweet desserts. But the truth is, the everyday diet of Italians is the opposite, and contains lots of vegetables, legumes and fruit.



We see Silvia wandering through a food market in Rome marveling at the lentils - her favourite – the inspiration for her entrée. Back at the kitchen bench, George is chopping the fennel as Cathy tells what sort of diet she followed while competing, and the happiness she found in running. Emma tells about emigrating from Italy to Australia as a youngster.

We see Silvia visiting a seafood market, inspiration for what she is serving up - polenta with seafood stew. As they eat, the conversation turns again to 'happiness', Cathy talks about her childhood, the effect boarding school has had on her life, and her mother's religious choice. Emma talks about 'happiness' as a teenager, and George talks about the 'happiness' his relationship with his sons brings him. Then the conversation turns to equality between women and men.

For dessert Silvia is cooking strawberry and olive oil tart, and she tells how as a child she loved picking strawberries with her father, as we see her visit a mountainous area just outside Milan searching for alpine strawberries. Emma is shown how to make the tart, and they sit down to eat dessert.

#SilviasItalianTable

Short synopsis

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Production details

Produced by FremantleMedia; Presenter, Creative Producer, Co-Writer and Co-Creator Silvia Colloca; Executive Producer for FremantleMedia Australia Richard Campbell; Series Producer Josh McAtamney.

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Top Pick
Wednesday 2 November 8.30pm



Upper Middle Bogan

Amber is appalled when Shawn arrives home with his new and highly alternative girlfriend, Ashley, in tow. Squeezed tight in the bungalow, Amber struggles to find space – not just with Shawn, but with the rest of the family too. Brianna is busy with Younis, and Wayne and Julie are binge-watching TV in their newly installed private cinema. Meanwhile Bess is distressed when Edwina announces she wants to study medicine after meeting an inspirational female surgeon, having never been inspired before by Bess' own medical career.



CAST: Annie Maynard, Robyn Nevin, Michala Banas, Patrick Brammall, Glenn Robbins, Robyn Malcolm, Madeleine Jevic, Rhys Mitchell, Dougie Baldwin, Lara Robinson and Harrison Feldman. Guest starring Heidi Arena.

#UpperMiddleBogan

Short Synopsis

Amber is appalled when Shawn invites his new and very alternative girlfriend to stay. Bess is upset when Edwina announces she wants to do medicine after meeting an inspirational surgeon, having never been inspired by Bess.

Production details

Created and written by Robyn Butler and Wayne Hope. Directed by Wayne Hope. Produced by Robyn Butler, Ben Grogan and Wayne Hope. Executive Producers Robyn Butler, Wayne Hope, Geoff Porz. ABC Executive Producer Rick Kalowski. A Gristmill Production in association with ABC TV and Film Victoria.

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Hard Quiz

Four self-described experts compete for the Big Brass Mug on the quiz show where the only thing better than winning is landing a sweet insult on the host. The Hard Quiz Champion will need to know about their own topic, other people's topics, Tom's topic, and random other stuff. Can Seinfeld expert Nicholas, capital city expert Steve, or Michael Collins aficionado Alan outsmart doctor Lara's expertise on the human body? Hosted by comedian Tom Gleeson.

#HardQuiz

Short Synopsis

Australia's newest, hardest quiz show, finds comedian Tom Gleeson interrogating Seinfeld expert Nicholas, capital city expert Steve, Michael Collins expert Alan and Human Body expert (and actual doctor) Lara.

Production details

A Thinkative TV production. Exec Producer: Chris Walker Producers: Kevin Whyte, Charlie Pickering, Tom Gleeson. Series Producer: John Tabbagh. ABC Executive Producer Tarni James.

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Comedy Next Gen

Series Premiere

Comedy Next Gen showcases the next generation of stand-up comedians as they perform their latest live shows.

The series features 16 comedians in their own special episode with an exclusive interview at the start of each episode.

Filmed over 16 separate nights, the best up-and-coming stand-up comedians perform their acts at live venues around Australia.

This 16-part series features Anne Edmonds, Aunty Donna, Zoe Combs Marr, Rhys Nicholson and many more of the next generation of Australian comedians.

Aunty Donna exploded onto the Melbourne comedy scene in 2012 with a unique brand of surreal, fast-paced, alternative sketch. Their debut show *Aunty Donna in Pantsuits* was nominated for the illustrious Melbourne International Comedy Festival's Golden Gibbo Award, and the Donna's have since gone on to create an award-winning YouTube channel, garnering over 120 thousand subscribers and 15 million views. They describe their 2016 live show as "Michael Jordan and the Looney Toons play basketball against aliens."

Short synopsis

This series showcases the next generation of stand-up comedians. First up is Aunty Donna, the trio who exploded onto the comedy scene in 2012 with their unique brand of surreal, fast-paced, alternative sketch.

Production details

ABC TV Executive Producer: Nick Hayden. Series Producer: Andrew Garrick. Associate Producer: Michele Esteves. Writers: Aunty Donna, Dave Eastgate, The Bear Pack, Luke Heggie, Zoe Coombs Marr, Rhys Nicholson, Dilruk Jayasinha, Simon Taylor, Michael Hing, Alice Fraser, Nath Valvo, Damien Power, Laura Davis, Corey White, Ivan Aristeguieta.

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