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THE BARRIER-BREAKING ABC PODCAST, IT'S NOT A RACE RETURNS

The podcast Australia still needs right now is back for a second season.

Race, racism, culture and identity are all on the table again, as **Beverley Wang** sits down with **Chelsea Bond, Anita Heiss, Randa Abdel-Fattah, Claire G Coleman, Ryan Griffen**, Black Lives Matter's **Patrisse Cullors** and **Rodney Diverlus, Candy Bowers, Busty Beatz** and **Ronny Chieng**.

Has the apocalypse already come and gone? What are the basics of taking on racist trolls online? How joyful is it to flip the script on racist stereotypes and WIN? And, what is the complex, ambivalent relationship many people have with the term "people of colour"?

Hear all these stories and more in Season 2 of <u>It's Not A Race</u>, launching today with two episodes exploring storytelling and representation.

Join Beverley Wang for Episode 1 as she interviews authors Anita Heiss and Randa Abdel-Fattah, who share how they use their writing to claim space in the mainstream for marginalised characters. And in Episode 2, find out how novelist Claire G Coleman and *Cleverman* creator Ryan Griffen use futuristic fiction to confront Australia's colonial past.

"I'm proud and thrilled to be back with Season 2 of *It's Not A Race*," says Wang. "This season we go deeper – sharing conversations and perspectives that don't often make it to the mainstream. I'm so excited to share these new episodes with the world."

The *It's Not A Race* season finale will be recorded at a live listening event, a partnership between ABC RN and Audiocraft in Melbourne on Monday 4 Dec, featuring **Paola Balla, Santilla Chingaipe, Benjamin Law** and **Yeo**. Be part of the audience and this live recorded conversation!

<u>Season 2, Episodes 1 & 2 are now available.</u> Subscribe to *It's Not A Race* on the <u>ABC listen app</u>, <u>Apple Podcasts</u>, or wherever you get your favourite podcasts.

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