

Geraldine Doogue AO

Renowned Australian journalist & broadcaster

Geraldine Doogue is a renowned Australian journalist and broadcaster with a distinguished career in news and current affairs. She is presenter of the ABC National Radio program Saturday Extra and ABC Television's Compass. Prior to this, she was the presenter of the ABC Radio National's Life Matters.

Geraldine is an outstanding Facilitator/MC who is also in demand for Corporate Videos, because of her professionalism and understanding of issues. Her forte is facilitating panel discussions and she is ideally suited to a progressive-minded audience.

About Geraldine Doogue AO:

Geraldine Doogue had originally planned a career as a schoolteacher. However, having completing her Arts degree in 1972, she applied on an impulse for a journalism cadetship with The West Australian instead. Since then she has thrived on that impulsive decision.

Within the first ten years of her career, Geraldine had carved out a reputation in print, television and radio, including two years at the London Bureau working for the Murdoch group's Australian papers.

Her entrance into television was unexpected. Whilst covering a story for The Australian, an ABC Television reporter interviewed her for a Four Corners program.

When the head office executives saw the interview, they were so impressed with her on-camera presence that they offered Geraldine the Perth compere's position for ABC Television's then new program Nationwide. She soon moved to Sydney to host the NSW edition of the program and established herself as one of the most respected and popular personalities on national television.

Geraldine then worked for a time on commercial radio with 2UE and on commercial television, co-presenting Channel 10's main news bulletin, before returning to the ABC in 1990. She played a major role in ABC TV's coverage of the Gulf War. During this period Geraldine was awarded two Penguin Awards and a United Nations Media Peace Prize.



In 1992 Geraldine began presenting Life Matters, a new ABC Radio National program which set out to cover the full gamut of social issues in everyday life. In 1998, she also became host of ABC TV's Compass program, which looks at issues of spirituality, philosophy and belief every Sunday evening. After 11 years with Life Matters, she moved to Saturday mornings to host a program focusing on international politics, Australia's role on the world stage, and business, called Saturday Extra.

In 2000 Geraldine was awarded a Churchill Fellowship for social and cultural reporting. In 2003, she was recognised with an Officer in the Order of Australia for services to the community and media.

Geraldine Doogue is married with two children and two step-children.

Geraldine Doogue talks about:

- Economics
- Environment
- Female Speaker
- Government/Politics
- Hypotheticals
- MC
- Media
- Moderating Debates
- Panelist
- Society/Social Trends

Client Testimonials



Geraldine Doogue is an inspirational speaker and touched the nerve of our parents thinking in her speech. She spoke from the heart of what it means to be a parent in the new phase of education and how we can reach out as a community.

Canterbury College



Geraldine's enthusiasm and knowledge were very evident. She added great value to our conference.

Australian Human Resources Institute



Highly professional, polished and confident.

Queensland Major Contractors Association

[VIEW SPEAKER'S BIO ONLINE ▶](#)