

# Libbi Gorr

## MC, Keynote Speaker & Comic Roasts

Hailed as a trailblazer on the Victorian Honour Roll of Women for her work in the arts and media, Libbi Gorr is a multi award winning tv and radio broadcaster, podcaster, live performer and writer whose work is laden with wit and humour.

Libbi captured Australian hearts and minds with her comic creation Elle McFeast in the late 80s, 90s, and early 2000s. Elle McFeast is the original parody 'Supermodel" when Elle MacPherson created women's collective identity crisis.



Libbi Gorr started in comedy after unintentionally making everybody laugh as a second-year law student cast as Lady Macbeth by wunderkind Barry Kosky. She then joined the celebrated Law Revue, where she wrote and performed alongside Tom Gleisner, Magda Szubanski, Santo Cilauro, and Rob Sitch.

Somewhere during her law studies, she joined the comedy Cabaret group *The Hot Bagels* – an angst-ridden Andrew Sisters Gone Wrong – and between Melbourne's burgeoning comedy scene lectures, and a part-time job at *ABC Sport* – Libbi graduated in Law with a million temptations in the world of comedy and showbiz.

After inventing Elle McFeast for Fox FM's *Kick to Kick*, Libbi joined Andrew Denton's *Live and Sweaty* on the ABC one year to the day of completing her professional year of law and never went back. Elle's breakthrough role as Denton's Melbourne field reporter led to a Logie nomination as best New Talent on Australian TV, and eventually, to succeeding Denton to become Australia's first late night *TV Tonight Sports* Comedy Show female host. A myriad of high-rating TV specials and international awards followed (*Sex Guys and VideoTape*: Gold medal, New York Festival of Television) *Breasts* (Logie Nomination, Most Outstanding Comedy Show), *My Big Bottom* (Bronze Medal: New York Festival of Television), all celebrating Spice Girls' kind of feminism. It all came to a grinding halt on the first episode of the *McFeast Live Tonight* show, when an interview with notorious hit man Chopper Read resulted in Gorr being cancelled, (before cancelling was actually invented). It's all on Lib's episode of *Australian Story*.

Resilience and courage bore through, and Libbi's career is now decorated with innovative and pioneering roles – covering the Bushfires for ABC Local radio in 2009, and being appointed to the AFLW Game Establishment committee. Libbi presented the high rating *This Weekend Life* for ABC Radio Melbourne and Victoria for a decade, including holding the fort during Covid. Recently

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she created and hosted *The Disrupt Radio Enterprise* Breakfast program, an entertainment money and business show.

She has published two books, contributed to ABC TV 7.30 and *News Breakfast*, performs live shows, and writes for *Selector Magazine* for food and wine. Her new podcast is *Red Card For Mummy* and *Other Soccer Stories*, introducing soccer to new audiences.

## Libbi Gorr Talks About

### **50 Shades of Different**

Libbi's keynote is compelling – 50 shades of Different – a profoundly insightful yet humour laden address about the power of embracing your differences, for it is these that set your aside from the pack and bring you success. Libbi draws from her own personal experiences entwined with the teachings of others from business and learning to leave audiences both gasping and laughing with the ignominies and stellar heights one can experience on a professional pathway.

Take out Messaging - Confidence, Motivation, Trust and Understanding of Intent and Impact.

*Touchstone topics* – Leadership, Resilience, Psychological Safety in the workplace; Considered risk, Managing Up.

## The Elle McFeast Roast

A by Appointment special event: Elle McFeast joins your event to personally take charge of proceedings and allow professionally constructed mayhem to prevail with a meticulously researched ROAST format that will break through any corporate veil to create trust, camaraderie and a night to remember.

## **Client testimonials**

- Libbi is an excellent MC. Her enthusiasm, humour and ability to embrace the large group was outstanding - a true professional.
- Queensland Law Society
- An inspirational speaker. Libbi delivered in Spades, with a fantastic touch of humour. A fantastic, impactful keynote which left a lasting impression

#### - Educate Plus

Great fun to work, very very happy with how it all went Thanks for all the work you put into last night

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<sup>11</sup> The Jreissati Family Pancreatic Centre dinner was a wonderful night (and a long time coming!!). Guests were thrilled to be there and to hear about the centre's work, only launching in February last year. Libbi did a magnificent job at addressing the serious topics, while managing to keep things light, fun and engaging, noting how tragic pancreatic cancer is as a disease. She was also fantastic at leading the panel segment and asking questions that those in the audience may not have been comfortable asking. Epworth Medical Foundation, Epworth HealthCare

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- What a fantastic International Women's Day dinner with Libbi Gorr. Wow, did she light up the room, hilarious authentic observations of life, reflections of society that made our poor male bar tenders wince...
- City of Boroondara

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