

Heather Swan

World Record Setting Adventurer and Wingsuit Pilot

Heather Swan is a dual world record holding BASEjumper and wingsuit pilot, a mountaineer, an author, a wife to Glen Singleman, mother of two children and two stepchildren. Heather was formerly a senior corporate executive.

On May 23rd 2006, Heather, and her husband, Dr Glenn Singleman, set a new world record for Altitude BASEjumping (highest exit point) and highest Wingsuit BASEjump (exit point). This world record (and a world first for women) was the result of six years hard work and an unwavering commitment to their goal. On September 24 2006 the Australian Geographic Society recognised their achievement with the Spirit of Adventure Award.

In her corporate career Heather held senior positions in Marketing and Management in both private and public sector organizations ranging from Asia Pacific Marketing Director for Information Resources, the world's largest Market Research Firm, to National Manager of Harry M. Miller's high profile speaker's bureau. She set up and managed the hugely successful business unit Olympic Communicators on behalf of the Australian Olympic Committee (AOC), which has since been modeled by National Olympic Committees (NOC's) around the world.

Heather is the author of *Defying Gravity, Defying Fear* (published by ABC Books), which was honoured as a finalist in the world's largest and most prestigious mountain, adventure book festival The Banff Mountain Book Festival held annually in Canada.

Heather loves flying her wingsuit and particularly enjoys wingsuit camera flying. She is a Birdman and Phoenix Fly instructor with over 300 wingsuit skydives.

As the only woman in the world to combine BASEjumping and mountaineering, Heather Swan's story is unique. With her corporate background it is even more remarkable and accessible to business audiences.

In 2005 Glenn and Heather featured on the ABC's prestigious *Australian Story* programme. In August 2006 *Australian Story* ran a second program specifically about Glenn and Heather's world record breaking wingsuit jump from Mt Meru in India. They have also been part of the *Best of Australian Story*.



Client testimonials

“ Your achievements were an inspiration to all our personnel and our suppliers. I know that I speak on behalf of all when I say how privileged we felt to have been included in your remarkable feats. Not only were your achievements an inspiration to us all, but your presentation, together with your visual back ups were excellent and most certainly added to the outstanding success of our conference.

- *Retravisation Australia*

“ Heather you are an amazing woman – for your endurance, setting such thrilling goals and having perseverance to achieve them. I have great admiration for inner and outer strength... and your honesty in the presentation. You were very honest about your feelings which is what I think will distinguish your talk from others. The message you give is wise and important and one thing those of us who choose not to climb mountains can share.

- *Office of State Revenue*

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