

# Centre for Public Culture and Ideas

## Nathan Seminar Series

### A Public Conversation on Public Culture ...in conversation with...

Paul Barclay  
Journalist and Presenter  
ABC Radio National



Panel:  
Dr Jacqui Ewart  
Dr Susan Forde  
Dr Cathy Jenkins  
Media and Communications  
School of Humanities  
Griffith University

#### About the speaker:

Paul Barclay loves his job moderating a 'national conversation' on ABC Radio National's *Australia Talks*; you can also find him online at ABC Fora. His secret fantasy, however, was to have played for Collingwood in the 1990 AFL premiership winning team.

Paul followed a familiar path to journalism – a current affairs junkie, he completed an arts degree in media studies and politics, learned the basics in community radio (Melbourne station 3RRR) and eventually found himself at the ABC, which now feels like his spiritual home. For some years he produced and presented a number of programs for – and helped manage – an independent radio production house, Public Radio News.

He won a Walkley Award in 2005 for his investigation of the events and issues surrounding Bundaberg's notorious 'Dr Death', and was executive producer of *Australia Talks*' predecessor, *Australia Talks Back*, for 7 years.

Over the years Paul has written for *Rolling Stone* magazine – among other publications – and been program director at ABC Local Radio in Brisbane.

Paul has presented and produced countless stories for many programs on most ABC radio networks and, when circumstances permit, he produces radio documentaries for ABC Radio National's *Background Briefing*.

He retains an unhealthy interest in sport, spends too much money on CDs, and still, from time to time (even though, by now, he should know better) watches live music in pubs and clubs. Rest assured he is also an avid reader and is a judge for the Queensland Premier's Literary Awards.

**Wednesday 7 October 2009**  
**12:00 - 2:00pm**  
**Light refreshments provided**  
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