



## SPEAKER'S PROFILES



### MS MEGABYTE

Ms Megabyte's mission is to take the hard out of hardware, the science out of software and remove the fears and frustrations often associated with everyday technology.

Having spent many years working with Microsoft in Australia and the UK, Mega has since spent her time advising high profile corporations and personal users how to get the most from their computers.

Mega regularly shares her everyday computing tips and tricks in the media. She's helped thousands of Australians embrace the technology, appearing regularly on 9am with David and Kim, GMA and The Today Show. Not to mention writing for various magazines like Woman's Day and Women's Weekly.

Ms Megabyte's recently re-released book, Conquer Your Computer is the best selling technology book in Australia and has been turned into an online lesson library.

### Dr Norman Swan

Producer and presenter of the Health Report, Dr Norman Swan, is a multi-award winning producer and broadcaster. Dr Swan's career has been highlighted by his desire to keep the Australian public informed of health developments as they happen. This allows him to combine medical expertise with investigative reporting, clear analysis and the knowledge to report the latest research in health and medicine. One of the first medically qualified journalists in Australia, Dr Swan is highly regarded by the medical and health professions. In addition to the Health Report, Dr Swan appears every Monday morning on Sally Loane's ABC 702 program in Sydney. He also presents the popular [Health Minutes](#) on ABC Newsradio each week. Norman Swan is known outside Australia. He was the Australian correspondent for the Journal of the American Medical Association and has consulted for the World Health Organisation in Geneva.



### Kris Cole

Kris Cole is the trainer who brings theory to life and the key note speaker who makes high content 'easy listening'. She is one of Australia's best selling business authors, published in seven languages and consults to major public and private sector organisations across Australia, New Zealand and South East Asia.

Kris is listed in The International Who's Who of Professionals, Who's Who in Australasia and the Pacific Nations, Global Who's Who of the World, Baron's Who's Who of the World, Marquis Who's Who in the World, and The International Who's Who of Authors.

She is American born, British educated and over 25 years international experience. Always practical and based on the latest research, Kris doesn't just talk theory -- she brings it to life and makes it apply to your people *personally*.



## Li Cunxin

Li Cunxin (pronounced "Lee Schwinsin") is a remarkable man born of a remarkable story. The inspirational author of the top selling book 'Mao's Last Dancer', Li Cunxin has a fascinating life story. Born into bitter poverty in rural China and suffering the hardship of peasant life, Li Cunxin was offered one chance. The sixth of seven sons, Li was raised to worship Mao Zedong, but began his life-changing journey at an early age. It could be the script for a Hollywood movie, but Li Cunxin's unique story is all true. Dedication and determination are the hallmarks of Li Cunxin's life. As a child, Li was taken from his parents to be trained in the art of ballet. Through hard work, competition, and suffering, he discovered opportunities undreamt of in rural China. Li perfected his art and became Principal Dancer in the Beijing Ballet. In a twist of fate, he defected to the United States and was eventually rescued by the personal intervention of President George Bush Snr.

## Wendy Campana

Wendy Campana is the Executive Director of the Local Government Association of South Australia. The LGA is a leadership organisation providing support and advocacy for Councils in SA and a range of direct services such as industrial/employee relations advice and a comprehensive education and training program for Council Members and staff of Councils. She has an extensive background in public sector management, organisational development, education and training, industrial relations, intergovernmental relations, governance and politically lobbying. Wendy is a board member of the following groups:

- LGA Mutual Liability Scheme
- LGA Workers Compensation Scheme
- Local Government Finance Authority
- Local Government Corporate Services
- Local Government Disaster Fund.



## Janelle Hynd

Janelle is an experienced facilitator, trainer and presenter and is regularly engaged for her expertise in team and leadership development, change management, performance management, coaching, strategic planning, recruitment and selection, public speaking and facilitation. Prior to establishing MJL People Dynamics in 2001 with Michelle Zweck, Janelle developed a successful human resource consulting career in both Australia and the U.K. across many business sectors.

She has a particular interest in discussions on the future world of work, careers and change as well as the pursuit of individual identity. Studies in Futures and Scenario Planning add her to skill set. Her life passions are her extended family, cinema, gastronomy and cultures, as well as the Arts, and travel. Janelle co-wrote her first screenplay, which was selected as a national finalist in the Sunrise Entertainment Screenwriters Event held in Sydney in September 2001, winning the SPAA Award.



### **Jodie Ensor**

"Passion plays an important part in getting things done... if you can find a way to get people passionate about a cause you can achieve just about anything"

In less than three years, Mud Drum Australia has grown from a part-time business operating from a garden shed to a commercial company based in the Adelaide CBD employing more than 10 people. It all started with just \$1000, the unshakable self-belief of its creator, Jodie Ensor, and masses of passion!

Jodie recognises that a key factor of her success is lifelong learning and her ability to build motivated teams who share her passion. It is this approach that now sees Mud Drum Australia's dynamic team working from an award-winning business plan ("State Enterprise Workshop Award 2004" winners) in pursuit of Jodie's original goal.

### **Lee-Anne Benn**

International key note speaker Lee-Anne Benn is the Managing Director and founder of Verbal Sculptors. Established in 2001 to see creativity restored to learning and development Verbal Sculptors merges the sound principles of Human Resource Development with the engaging practices of the Performing Arts to accelerate the learning process. Clients who have benefited from Verbal Sculptors unique training style include: IKEA, Department for the Premier and Cabinet and the Adelaide City Council.



### **Nichole Tierney**

Locher Human Resources

Nichole has an outstanding track record within a range of training programs, backed by extensive experience in commercial environments. To date her skills cover a broad range of topics, such as workplace training, assertiveness, interpersonal communication, conflict resolution, supervision, leadership, counselling, team building and selection interviewing. However, the main focus of Nichole's background has been the design, delivery and evaluation of Human Resource Management training programs that are focused on building leadership and organisational capability.

### **Disco Pete Gaston**

Disco Pete has Bachelor of Education degree (physical education specialist major), Certificate III and IV in Fitness plus a Certificate IV in Workplace assessment and training. He is a former PE teacher and is now a sports fitness coach, a personal trainer and MC. Peter 18 year's industry experience including Aerobics instructor, Gym instructor, Circuit instructor, Sales and Marketing, centre management and personal training. He was the fitness coach for State League Netball club Tango 1999 – 2005. He was the MC for the 2004 world aerobics championships and in 2006 the MC for the Recreation SA Fitness Industry Awards night. Peter has written books and developed resources on personal training and circuit instructing which have been sold in Australia and New Zealand. In 2005 was recognised as one of SA's top fitness professionals by Recreation SA.

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