



INNER SOUTH

Star of the Sea shines a light on past students

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The past students of Star of the Sea are a clever and diverse bunch.

From world-renowned academics and trailblazing aviators, to singers, actors, writers and lawyers, these are some of the Brighton school's top alumni.

GERMAINE GREER, CLASS OF 1955



Academic and writer Germaine Greer has published more than 20 titles including bestseller *The Female Eunuch*. Picture: supplied

Germaine Greer won a scholarship to attend Star of the Sea College in 1952 and achieved outstanding success, graduating as dux in 1955.

Germaine was a natural leader and talented actor, playing leading roles in school dramas and annual Gilbert and Sullivan productions. From 1956 she studied English and French Language and Literature at the University of Melbourne on a teacher's college scholarship. Germaine later travelled to England to complete her PhD at Cambridge in 1968, then worked as a lecturer at Warwick University.

Voted "UK Woman of the Year 1971", Germaine has achieved a rich and varied career as an academic and writer and has published more than 20 titles. She has dominated feminist thinking for more than 50 years, and her most famous publication *The Female Eunuch* (United Kingdom, 1970) became an

Germaine has written more than 20 books and her work has focused on literature, feminism and the environment. She has lived in England since 1964 and regularly visits Queensland where she owns 50 hectares of rainforest, her goal to build up native plants.

RACHEL GRIFFITHS, CLASS OF 1985



📷 Actor Rachel Griffiths was awarded an Order of Australia AM in this year's Australia Day Honours and continues to work on social justice issues. Picture: supplied

Rachel Griffiths graduated from Star of the Sea College in 1985.

Rachel is one of Australia's most successful international actors and recipient of many international awards including the Golden Globe, Emmy, Screen Actors Guild and Australian Film Institute's acknowledgments.

Rachel Griffiths burst onto the international scene in 1994 with P.J. Hogan's *Muriel's Wedding*. This was followed by *My Best Friend's Wedding*, alongside Julia Roberts, *The Rookie*, *The Hard Word* with Guy Pearce, *Blow*, *Step Up*, *Burning Man*, *Ned Kelly*, *Patrick*, *Saving Mr Banks* with Tom Hanks, *Beautiful Kate*, *Hilary & Jackie* (Academy Award Nomination) and more recently *Mammal* which premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in 2016. and *Hugo Weaving* in Mel Gibson's *Hacksaw Ridge* to critical acclaim.

Rachel earned a Golden Globe for her radical portrayal of Brenda in the critically acclaimed HBO series *Six Feet Under*. She received a further Golden Globe nomination and three Emmy Award Nominations for her leading work on US series *Brothers & Sisters*.

Rachel produced the Australian inspirational sport biography *Ride Like A Girl* and created *Total Control* (ABC 2019). She is currently developing a project around slavery in South East Asia for NBC and working on Australian stories.

Rachel is a patron of Hagar and Beyond Blue. She was awarded an Order of Australia AM in this year's Australia Day Honours and continues to work on social justice issues. Rachel is most proud of working to



📷 Acclaimed writer and lawyer Anna Funder received the 2004 BBC Four Samuel Johnson Prize, for her book *Stasiland* (2002). Picture: supplied

Anna Funder, daughter of Star of the Sea College in its centenary year of 1983 and third generation of her family to attend the college, graduated with degrees in Arts and Law at Melbourne University in 1991.

While at university, she edited the *Law Review* and spent six months as an exchange student at the Freie University in Berlin. Anna also has an MA from the University of Melbourne and a Doctorate of Creative Arts from the University of Technology, Sydney.

Anna is one of Australia's most acclaimed writers and has been the recipient of many awards including the richest nonfiction prize in the UK, the 2004 BBC Four Samuel Johnson Prize, for her book *Stasiland* (2002), which is the story of individuals who resisted the East German regime and others who worked for the Stasi – its secret police. She has also received awards for her first fiction novel *All that I am* (2012) and her novella *The girl with the Dogs* (2015).

Anna's career is diverse, having worked as a producer for the ABC, in Treasury for the Victorian Government, as a solicitor in Melbourne and in the International Law Section of Foreign Affairs Canberra. She also returned to Berlin where she completed a year of intensive research for *Stasiland*.

As an international human rights lawyer, Anna has been involved in the search for social justice. Anna now lives in Sydney with her husband and children and continues to write, research and tour as a public speaker.

GEORGIA FLIPO (G FLIP) CLASS OF 2011



📷 Musician G Flip won Breakthrough Independent Artist of the Year at the AIR Awards in July last year. Picture: supplied

Georgia Flipo (G Flip) graduated from Star of the Sea College in 2011.

G Flip is a singer, songwriter, producer and drummer. She recently returned to the college to farewell her music teacher and mentor, Gavin Cassidy, and she has also performed for the students of Star in recent years.

G Flip is a talented musician and has been playing drums since she was nine, through which time she also sharpened her skills as a singer, songwriter and rapper.

G Flip spent most of 2017 writing and recording songs in her bedroom at home, and her debut single *About You* was uploaded in February 2018 to Triple J Unearthed and was played on Triple J that day.

G Flip has since enjoyed music success and has been nominated for multiple awards including the J Award as Unearthed Artist of the Year in 2018. She was the winner of the ARIA emerging Artist Scholarship and was invited to Austin Texas for her first solo show.

Her second track *Killing My Time* was released in May 2018.

G Flip's success has also resulted in two singles that have been accredited platinum status and one gold status single.

G Flip performed at the Sydney Opera House New Year's Eve celebration in 2018.

Winning Breakthrough Independent Artist of the Year at the AIR (Australian Independent Record Labels Association) Awards in July 2019, G Flip released her debut studio album on August 30, 2019, and continues to achieve success. Multiple ARIA nominations for Breakthrough Artist of the Year, Independent Release and Best Video in 2019 seals her success as a performer.

MAUDE “LORES” BONNEY, CLASS OF 1910



📷 Maude “Lores” Bonney became the first woman to fly from Australia to England in 1933. Picture: supplied

Maude Rubens was born in Pretoria, South Africa in 1897, and emigrated to Melbourne in 1906, attending Star from late 1907 for just over two years. Maude changed her name to Dolores (Lores) and was an accomplished pianist.

In 1917 she married Harry Bonney, a wealthy Brisbane leather-merchant, who she met when she volunteered at the Red Cross in WWI. Her husband’s wealth (and his aviator cousin Bert Hinkler’s lessons) enabled Lores to develop her passion for flying, as this was a luxury available to few during the Great Depression years.

Lores gained her pilot’s licence in 1931 and in the following year became the first woman to circumnavigate Australia by air. In 1933 she became the first woman to fly from Australia to England. The journey in her plane named ‘My Little Ship’ took her more than eight weeks.

Another first for Mrs Bonney (as she was known to the public) came in 1937 in ‘My Little Ship II’ when she became the first person ever to fly from Australia to South Africa.

Following WWII Maude focused on different adventures and after the death of her husband in 1965, she navigated the remote upper reaches of the Amazon River by canoe and lived among the Agua Indians. She also spent a period of time learning the art of Bonsai from a Master. Maude was awarded the Order of Australia Medal in 1991 and retired to a nursing home on the Gold Coast where she passed away in 1994.

JACINTA FORBES, CLASS OF 1981



📷 As a member of the Victorian Bar Council Jacinta Forbes helped develop the Bar’s conduct policies against bullying, discrimination and sexual harassment. Picture: supplied

liability claims in the US against silicone breast implant manufacturers. Jacinta has also worked with native title holders in West Kimberley and with asylum seekers.

As a barrister, Jacinta has appeared with great success mainly on behalf of claimants in personal injury cases. As a member of the Victorian Bar Council between 2017 and 2019 Jacinta has been instrumental in developing and implementing the Bar's conduct policies against bullying, discrimination and sexual harassment.

At the ceremony to welcome Her Honour to the Supreme Court, the president of the Victorian Bar said: "Your Honour was known at the Bar for taking on difficult cases, often on a no-win, no-fee basis, even where the result was far from certain, out of a sense of fairness and a belief that all members of the community are entitled to access to justice and their day in court."

Jacinta and her husband have four children.

DR JAN WALLACE, CLASS OF 1975



📷 Jan Wallace has completed four winter expeditions in Antarctica for the Australian Antarctic Division (AAD) as a medical doctor. Picture: supplied

Dr Jan Wallace graduated from Star of the Sea College as dux of school in 1975.

She has been a doctor for 39 years, with a particular specialisation in healthcare in remote and extreme environments. Her first experience in remote medicine was living and working in Papua New Guinea for two years and more recently, working in Antarctica for the Australian Antarctic Division (AAD) where she has completed four wintering expeditions. During her time in Antarctica, Jan completed her Master of Public Health (Remote and Polar Health), University of Tasmania (UTAS).

For more than 25 years, she has been a principal in a Melbourne general practice where she also mentors young registrar doctors in training and enjoys working as a surgical assistant at the local hospitals. Jan is also a Medical Officer in the Australian Army, serving both in Australia and overseas.

As part of Antarctica pre-departure training, Jan undertook scenario-based training as part of the UTAS Expedition Medicine course, an intensive eight-day practical course run in partnership with the AAD. In her role as station doctor, she provides all medical, surgical and dental care for the expeditioners, analyses the drinking water and effluent, and also conducts medical research for the AAD Polar Medicine Unit including their collaborations with NASA.

In addition to her work, Jan is wife of fellow Antarctic expeditioner Geoffrey and mother to their two adult children. She enjoys keeping fit outdoors, sourdough bread baking and quilting.

CLAIRE QUIN, CLASS OF 1983



📷 Claire Quin spent many years as a prosecutor in the Specialist Sexual Offences Unit and also advising on reforms (particularly for child and vulnerable witnesses). Picture: supplied

Claire Quin attended Star of the Sea College from 1981 – 1983 and PCW Windsor for the earlier years. Claire completed an honours law degree at Monash University in 1988 and articles at Clayton Utz in Melbourne. She then was associate to the Honourable Justice Vincent in the Supreme Court. Claire was admitted to the bar in 1992 with a practice in Child Protection work, interacting extensively with the Department of Human Services. Claire continued as a weekly volunteer for Western Suburbs Legal Service.

Claire was appointed a Crown Prosecutor in 1998 and appeared in many County Court trials and in the Court of Appeal on behalf of the Director of Public Prosecutions for about 14 years. Claire spent many years as a prosecutor in the Specialist Sexual Offences Unit involved in both trial and appellate work and also advising on reforms (particularly for child and vulnerable witnesses). Claire was seconded to parliament for about 18 months during 2012, providing advice to the Victorian parliamentary inquiry into the handling of child abuse by religious and other non-government organisations. Claire assisted committee members prepare for interviews with both victims and representatives of the relevant groups, examined thousands of documents and played a key role in developing recommendations for the report published in November 2013 *Betrayal of Trust*.

Claire was appointed as a judge of the County Court on 25 February 2014 and continues to practice primarily in criminal law. Claire is also currently chairperson of the Youth Parole Board, (member for the past 2 years). Claire joined her sister Katherine Bourke on the bench – they are the first sisters to sit on the same Victorian court. Claire also has three children and is married to Ben. Claire is still involved at Star as a member of the bursary committee since inception, and supports many Star students through work experience at the court and as a barrister.

CAROLINE FINCH, CLASS OF 1978



epidemiologist and bio-statistician.

She completed her Bachelor of Science Honours degree at Monash University in 1983. Latrobe University awarded her a Master of Science in Statistics in 1995. Caroline was also awarded a PhD in Mathematical Statistics from Monash University in 1985 for her Thesis about detecting diabetes in Pacific populations.

Caroline leads the Australian Centre for Research into Injury in Sport and its Prevention, one of only 10 centres worldwide recognised by the International Olympic Committee and peak sporting bodies including the International Rugby Board, AFL and Cricket Australia.


She has been ranked as one of the 10 most published injury researchers of all time and in the top three most influential sports medicine researchers internationally.

In 2015, Caroline was awarded the International Distinguished Career Award from the American Public Health Association's Injury Control and emergency Health Services Section. Caroline contributes to several editorial boards of Sports Medicine, Science, and Injury Epidemiology Journals.

She is now the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) at Edith Cowan University in Perth. In recognition of her contribution to sport safety and research in Australia, she was appointed as an Officer of the Order of Australia in 2018.

GENEVIEVE BAILEY, CLASS OF 1998



 The films of producer/director Genevieve Bailey have screened in more than 50 countries and received more than 30 awards. Picture: supplied

Genevieve Bailey graduated from Star of the Sea College in 1998. She was passionate about maths and science in school but knew she wanted to pursue her greatest love, filmmaking. She completed a Bachelor of Creative Arts, (Honours) from the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA), Melbourne University.


Genevieve has since written, directed, produced, shot and edited more than 40 films. Her films have screened in more than 50 countries and received more than 30 awards to date. She was named as one of Australia's Top Film and TV directors of 2012 and was listed as one of Melbourne's "most influential, inspirational, provocative and creative people" in 2011.

mental health and opened in 2019. Audiences and experts alike say that the authentic and immensely moving stories captured in *Happy Sad Man* can and will save lives.

Her production company Proud Mother Pictures celebrates diversity in storytelling. Genevieve has been an active Star alumni and has been involved with the college as an inspirational speaker.

KATE KENNEDY, CLASS OF 1985



 Kate Kennedy is one of, Star of the Sea College's top past students. Picture: Dennis Manktelow

Kate Kennedy graduated from Star of the Sea College in 1985. Kate has been an international leader in antislavery and child protection for past two decades. Educated at Monash and Harvard Universities, her executive roles have included being Strategic Director of World Vision, CEO of Hagar Australia who worked with survivors of slavery torture and abuse in post genocide and war countries. Kate lived in New York leading one of the worlds largest antislavery agencies. Kate is currently Director at Brotherhood of St Laurence.

Studying at Monash and Harvard Universities, Kate is also a graduate of AICD Company Directors course (GAICD) and has been an active non-executive Director for MacKillop Family services, Barlow Foundation, Mirabel Foundation, Goodcompany and Jesuit Publications. Since January 2012, Kate has led Hagar's operations from Australia. Hagar works with women and children in Cambodia, Vietnam and Afghanistan and is committed to the recovery, empowerment, and reintegration of women and children who have been trafficked or have survived severe human rights abuses.

She is well regarded as an advocate on ending child exploitation, supply chain reform and strengthening protections for the world's most vulnerable populations. Her work has affected the lives of tens of thousands of the world's most vulnerable women and children in poverty, exploitation and slavery.

Her deep domain expertise is in policy reform, the deployment of impact capital and facilitating cross-sectoral collaboration. Kate's personal networks extend globally, across the UN, governments, philanthropy and civil society.

Kate has been an inspirational speaker at Star of the Sea College in recent years including facilitating student sessions and was the keynote speaker at the 2019 College Mother's Day Breakfast.

SHELLEY REYS, CLASS OF 1984



📷 Shelley Reys, AO, has three decades of experience in the Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and reconciliation spaces. Picture: supplied

Shelley Reys, AO, graduated from Star of the Sea College in 1984. She spent her youth in Melbourne and her traditional lands are those of the Djirribul, in far north Queensland. Shelley has made a profound contribution to our nation. Through her company, Arrilla Indigenous Consultants and Services, she builds better relationships between Indigenous Australians and the wider community, and maps more effective ways of collaborating by incorporating Indigenous practices into mainstream environs.

Shelley has three decades of experience in the Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and reconciliation spaces and has a reputation for helping the Australian workforce navigate their way in the Indigenous space with greater confidence.

Shelley is also known for her pro bono work designed to inspire new, courageous conversations of national importance. This includes her national leadership role with The Australian of the Year Awards and Australia Day, Parliament's apology to 'The Stolen Generations' and the national reconciliation movement in which she played a formal role spanning 20 years including her appointment as inaugural Co-Chair of Reconciliation Australia.

Shelley was awarded the prestigious Officer of The Order of Australia (AO) in 2012. The award recognised her 'distinguished service to the Indigenous community, to reconciliation and social inclusion, and as an advocate for improved educational, health and employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people'. Shelley was named in The Australian Financial Review '100 Women of Influence' and is a member of Chief Executive Women, representing Australia's most senior women leaders.

ELLIA GREEN, CLASS OF 2010



📷 Ellia Green is a professional Rugby Union player who won a gold medal at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio. Picture: supplied

Labelled the 'Fijian-born Flyer', Ellia grew up competing in athletics before she was recruited into 'Pathway to Gold', an Australian Rugby Sevens talent identification camp for talented athletes from other sports. This was in anticipation of Rugby Sevens being added to the Olympics. When this eventuated in time for the Rio games, Ellia had her chance to realise her childhood dream of being an Olympian.

Ellia is now a registered nurse as well as a proud ambassador for 'Schools Rebuilding Schools', an initiative by 'Reach 4 Your Future Foundation' which is supported by Microsoft, The Australian Government and the Fiji Government, among other major partners.

Ellia is also the 'face' of household appliance manufacturer Beko's 'Eat Like a Pro' campaign, which is trying to stem condemning trends about obesity and nutrition in young Australians. Ellia visited Star in 2019 to promote 'Eat Like a Pro' and students participated in Rugby drills and learned about nutrition. Ellia also shared her story of Olympic success and students had the chance to wear her Olympic medal and have photos with this talented Star Alumni.

SARAH FITZ-GERALD, CLASS OF 1984



 Sarah Fitz-Gerald, Star of the Sea College, Leader Top Past Students Leader series, Picture: supplied

Winner of gold at the 2002 Commonwealth Games in Manchester, Sarah ranks among the most celebrated squash players in the world. Holding five World Open Titles and another 15 World Titles including Open Team titles, Juniors and Masters. and a Ranking of No 1 in 1996 and again 2001 after knee surgery in 2000. Sarah spent Years 7 to 10 as a student of Star of the Sea College (1981 to 1984) before moving to MacGregor High School in Brisbane to join the AIS program for her final two years of school.

Based in Melbourne, the passionate Australian has had extensive travel as a player, coach, MC, commentator, host, mentor, ambassador and is now a builder of squash courts for her own companies CourtTech Australia and COURTDesigns – alongside her husband Cameron.

Sarah was also an ambassador for both the 2009 Sydney and 2017 Auckland World Masters Games. Sarah retired from her professional squash career in 2003, and added racquetball to her skills in 2009, winning 11 Australian titles while still continuing to compete in squash and winning masters titles.

She then completed a Bachelor of Arts, together with a Diploma of Social Studies at

Melbourne University.

After a change of career direction in 1975, for close to 40 years she worked as joint principal

with her late husband Harold Campbell-Pretty in their management consulting and marketing

research businesses.

After Harold tragically passed away in 2014, Krystyna has focused exclusively on philanthropy and using her management skills to assist not for profit organisations. In 2015, Krystyna bequeathed a landmark gift to the National Gallery of Victoria – the Dominique Sirop Collection of 130 works of French haute couture.


Since that time, an additional 160 works of vintage haute couture and archive material have been acquired and given to NGV, together with a collection of rare suffragette material, as well as art works by important historical female artists.

This focus on all things female is a clear reflection of Krystyna's experiences at Star and its empowerment of women. When addressing an event at the school in 2016, Krystyna spoke of 'receiving a better than world-class education from a group of highly intelligent and dedicated women', the Presentation Sisters.

Krystyna is a Trustee of the National Gallery of Victoria, a member of the Foundation Board of the NGV as well as a member of the Foundation Board of Arts Centre Melbourne. She is also a board member of Melbourne University Humanities Foundation. Krystyna is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD).

GINA LIANO, CLASS OF 1983



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📷 Gina Liano has appeared in the Australian reality television series 'The Real Housewives of Melbourne' since 2014. Picture: Maurice Rinaldi Photographer

Gina Liano graduated from Star of the Sea College in 1983. Gina studied at Monash University where she completed a Bachelor of Arts in 1992 and a Bachelor of Laws in 1996. Gina's two sisters Bettina and Teresa Liano are both successful fashion designers and Gina initially went into business with them in 1985 with a chain of boutiques.

Gina was admitted as a lawyer in 1997 and joined the Victorian Bar in 1999. Gina is a criminal barrister and has two sons and lives in Melbourne. Gina has appeared in the Australian reality television series *The Real Housewives of Melbourne* since 2014 and achieved fame from the show, along with a guest role on *Neighbours*. Gina has been a guest panellist on shows and had a regular segment on Channel 7's morning show *Legal Eagle*.

Gina has also been a property developer, is a qualified art curator and wedding celebrant and supporter of marriage equality. She has released a series of fragrances, has a jewellery range and the Gina Liano Flawless tanning range. Gina also joined the *Australian Celebrity Apprentice* and chose to support the Cancer Council of Australia, in recognition of her own cancer battle in 2003 and subsequent remission.

Gina released her autobiography *Fearless* in 2015 and it was an instant success, requiring numerous reprints. In January 2016, Gina made her theatre debut as the wicked stepmother in the Cinderella pantomime at The State Theatre in Sydney.

HOLLY VALANCE, CLASS OF 2000



📷 Actor/singer Holly Valance is now focused on being the mother of two and her work with The Candy Foundation that helps children facing challenging circumstances. Picture supplied

only an accomplished actor in shows across the world, she has also modelled on the catwalk, in commercials, catalogues and editorial. She had a No 1 hit with her debut single *Kiss Kiss* in May 2002, and has also penned several of her own songs. Holly competed and won in the UK's *Strictly Come Dance* 2011, and was also a mentor and judge on reality show *Shopaholic Showdown* in 2013.

With family being her No 1 priority, Holly's most important role to date is that of mother of two and her work with The Candy Foundation, their own worldwide philanthropic interest supporting several charitable causes and focused on improving the lives of those facing severe disadvantage and challenging circumstances, in particular children. Holly's sisters, Coco (2004) and current student Billee, are also Star girls.

MAUREEN MCCARTHY, CLASS OF 1970



📷 Maureen McCarthy has written more than 12 novels for young adults.

Maureen McCarthy grew up on a farm near Yea, the ninth of 10 children. She attended a single teacher rural state school before going to board at Star from 1965 to 1970. After graduating from Star she completed a Fine Arts Diploma and worked for several years as an art teacher before becoming a script writer and novelist in the late 1980s.

Maureen said she considered her years at Star important to her growth as a writer.

Boarding in the Sixties was harsh but also often great fun. Deep friendships formed, secrets shared and ambitions emerged despite the constrictions.

She said many of the nuns and other teachers encouraged and valued her creativity.

‘I am interested in the emerging adult from 16 to the early 20s,’ Maureen said. ‘The wild time when relationships are shifting, sexual identity is fiercely sought and life is imbued with conflicting desires and emotions.’

Maureen has written more than 12 novels for young adults, all of them dealing with contemporary, often gritty themes. Many of them have been short-listed for awards and used for class texts. Her last two novels were inspired by women within her own family.

Sally Neighbour graduated from Star of the Sea College in 1978. She is currently the executive producer of the ABC's *Four Corners*, Australia's premier investigative current affairs program. Based in Sydney, Sally is a three-time Walkley Award recipient and winner of the 2005 NSW History Prize. Sally was a foreign correspondent for the ABC based in Hong Kong and Beijing in the 1990s, and then a senior reporter with *Four Corners* from 1996 to 2009. From 2012 to 2015, when she started her current role at *Four Corners*, she was executive producer of the ABC's 7.30 program.

A leading Australian commentator on terrorism, Islamic extremism and security related issues, Sally is also known for her writing for *The Australian* and two published books on these subjects.

Her first book was *In the Shadow of Swords: On the Trail of Terrorism from Afghanistan to Australia* which examined the rise of the Indonesian terrorist group Jemaah Islamiyah and its role in the 2002 Bali bombings. Her second book was *The Mother of Mohammed: An Australian woman's extraordinary Journey into Jihad*, which tells the story of Mudgee local Rabiah Hutchinson, a Muslim convert who married senior al Qaeda strategist Mustafa Hamid and spent 20 years on the frontlines of the global Islamist struggle. As a result of her expertise on these subjects, Sally has lectured at conferences around the world.



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JENNY COONEY, CLASS OF 1980



📷 Jenny Cooney, Star of the Sea College, Leader Top 20 past students series

Her media and consulting clients include: The Age, Sydney Morning Herald, Today Show, TV Week, Who Weekly, GDay USA, Screen Australia and Australians in Film in L.A. As well as interviewing every major star in Hollywood from Paul Newman to Lauren Bacall, Jenny has travelled the world reporting from the sets of countless films and TV shows including; Spectre, The Last Samurai, Terminator, Lost, Game of Thrones, The Crown and Outlander. As host of the popular podcast series Aussies in Hollywood, she's interviewed friends including: Paul Hogan, Simon Baker, Nicole Kidman, Hugh Jackman, Mel Gibson, Toni Collette and fellow Star of the Sea alumni, Rachel Griffiths.

Last year, Jenny joined Sydney-based Bunya Productions – the company behind Mystery Road and Sweet Country – as their Executive Vice President in L.A., and she works closely with their team developing film and TV projects in Australia and the U.S.