MEGAN SPENCER PODCASTING BIO

Megan Spencer is an award-winning audio podcast-maker who specialises in crafting the very human stories behind military service and sacrifice, and the impact of service on defence members and families.

She has made long-form, distinctly cinematic, commemorative audio <u>podcasts</u> for Australia's leading war memorials and institutions, including the Australian War Memorial in Canberra, the Shrine of Remembrance in Melbourne and the Virtual War Memorial Australia (VWMA) in Adelaide.

Megan's podcast 'From A Whisper To A Bang!', the first podcast commissioned by the Australian War Memorial, won 'Best Radio News, Current Affairs or Feature Report' at the 2020 MEAA South Australian Media Awards.

In 2023, she won again for 'Defending With Pride: Voices', the powerful multi-episode podcast series she made for the Shrine of Remembrance about Australian LGBTQI+ military service. She is a finalist in the 'History' genre of the 2024 Australian Podcast Awards, recognising her most recent podcast, *Bringing His Spirit Home: Private Arthur Thomas Walker, Ngarrindjeri Anzac*.

A full-time freelancer, she brings a wealth of experience to her work as a former ABC Local Radio & SBS-TV broadcaster, a film critic (triple j) and an independent documentary maker ('Heathens'; 'Lovestruck: Wrestling's No. 1 Fan'). Deep listening is at the heart of her work.

In 2024 she finished a major project for the VWMA, Australia's largest online memorial: 4 x immersive multi-episode audio features which focus on unsung stories of service and sacrifice from Australia's military past. These include First Nation's service, women's service and the WWII Navy story of the first two casualties of war on Australian soil that no-one knows about.

More about her work here and here.





