



## ADELAIDE FESTIVAL OF IDEAS REVEALS FULL LINE-UP

Adelaide Festival of Ideas – Friday 7 October to Sunday 9 October

Organisers of the 2011 Adelaide Festival of Ideas today revealed a full line-up of over 80 speakers for Australia's longest-running ideas festival.

Adding to an impressive previously announced list of Penny Sackett, Peter Doherty, Barbara Hardy, Ted Nordhaus, Michael Shellenberger, Sarah Joseph, Bryan Boyd and Paul Ormerod the new speakers revealed include:

- Renowned Human Rights Barrister, **Julian Burnside**
- Leading Australian Information Security expert and Ethical Hacker, **Jody Melbourne**
- Prominent Psychologist, human sexuality researcher and best selling author, **Christopher Ryan**
- Former Federal politicians, **Amanda Vanstone & Carmen Lawrence**
- Influential European architecture critic and author **Bart Lootsma**
- Deputy Chief Urban Designer for New York's Department of City Planning, **Jeffrey Shumaker**
- Current and future Adelaide Festival Directors, **Paul Grabowsky** and **David Sefton**
- Journalist, author, and political and social commentator, **David Marr**
- Eminent New York-based Arab and Muslim issues columnist **Mona Eltahawy**

Executive Producer, Sandy Verschoor said having such a broad range of distinguished international and local thinkers converge on Adelaide to share their ideas in a **free** compact event is an exciting prospect.

"With this kind of depth and breadth of intellectual and creative talent assembled for the event weekend, Adelaide will be transformed into the nation's epicentre of vibrant ideas and discussion," Ms Verschoor said.

"I'm as excited about the festival's wide appeal to attract new audiences as I am the stellar line-up itself."

Speakers will address a wide array of topics ranging from climate change, human rights, architecture, politics, religion, the future of the media and cutting edge scientific research to drug addiction, social media, "hacktivism", the cosmos and prehistoric man's sexual exploits.

**Details of all speakers can be found at [www.adelaidefestivalofideas.com.au](http://www.adelaidefestivalofideas.com.au) with the full program of free lectures, forums, conversations, screenings and special ticketed events will be announced on 26 August.**

For regular updates, more information and to join the social media conversations go to [www.adelaidefestivalofideas.com.au](http://www.adelaidefestivalofideas.com.au)

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