

Would you like the chance to gain deeper insight, empathy and understanding into another person's journey by listening to their story?

At Jesuit Social Services, we have the privilege of walking beside many people, through the ordinary and sometimes extraordinary stages of their lives.

You can now hear their stories in person through our Just Voices Speakers Program.

Our speakers share their stories to open ears across Australia – in classrooms and workplaces, to community and church groups, and even at public events and festivals.

GET TO KNOW A LIFE STORY UNLIKE YOURS

Our speakers are social justice advocates who come from diverse backgrounds, communities and cultures.

They'll share with you their personal experiences of:

- · seeking asylum and refugee settlement in Australia
- First Nations culture, including dance, didgeridoo and painting
- East Timorese history and culture
- · global health issues
- ... and much more.

Our speakers open up conversation and reflection by giving voice to the struggles, challenges and joys happening all around us.

With courage and resilience they share their truth, and demonstrate the great humanity within us all.



EVERY PRESENTATION IS UNIQUE

Our speakers tailor their presentations to their lived experience, and to what you and fellow audience members would like to hear about.

Common themes include resilience, courage, empathy, leadership, empowerment, social justice, diversity and cultural awareness.

And just like our speakers, every presentation is different. Some presentations involve music and poetry. All involve both a personal story and a call to action for each member of the audience to contemplate.

Our speakers can also build in optional activities, like:

- small group activities
- workshops
- · live music performances
- additional reading and research.

For schools, Just Voices speakers offer empowering sessions to inspire students to develop social justice messages. All presentations for schools link to the Australian and Victorian curriculum.

FOR AUDIENCES BIG OR SMALL

Our speakers present to a range of groups, including:

- · primary and secondary schools
- · higher education students
- community groups
- parishes and church groups
- workplaces
- private functions
- festivals and other public events.

PRICING

Just Voices is a fee for service activity. We pay all our speakers for their time and provide them with ongoing support, mentorship and debriefing opportunities.

Please contact us to discuss pricing, how you can sponsor an event, or how to donate to the program.



TESTIMONIALS

"The teachers said it was the best assembly they'd been to in eight years!! The students, as you could see, loved it. We will definitely look forward to working with you again."

Kate, Personal Development Coordinator, De La Salle College

"Their stories were remarkable – not quite the lives that our students are used to."

Louise, Senior Teaching & Learning Leader, Monbulk College

"The response from our team has been significant.
Although the personal stories were unthinkable,
they were equally inspiring. Your speakers started a
conversation, which I hope will continue for some time."

Martin Reynolds,

Head of Institutional & Middle Markets Victoria, JLL

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