



# REMARKABLE AND TRANSFORMATIONAL DRAMA RETURNS

# NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC AND THE FEDS CONTINUE PARTNERSHIP ON REVOLUTIONARY SERIES *MIRACLE HOSPITAL 2*

**TUESDAY 13 JUNE, SYDNEY AUSTRALIA: National Geographic People,** together with The Feds and Screen Australia, today announced the commissioning of **Miracle Hospital 2** as part of its ongoing commitment to bring compelling and dramatic local content to the channel.

A 6 x 44mins extraordinary documentary series showcasing Australian medical innovation and excellence as it tells the powerful stories of everyday Australians facing incredible challenges.

The inspirational documentary series returns with all new stories to take viewers behind the scenes at St Vincent's Hospitals in Sydney and Melbourne, where elite medical teams use the very latest science and technology to perform ground- breaking and life-saving procedures every day. In this powerful factual medical series, audiences will be given unprecedented access in real time to the hospitals, their operating theatres, patients and specialists to showcase the work of dedicated teams of specialists and researchers who are among the world leaders in medical innovation.

Miracle Hospital is an important documentary series as it showcases Australian medical innovation and excellence. It tells powerful stories of everyday Australians facing incredible challenges. These are stories we all can relate to, will be fascinated and inspired by, and will make us proud as we see how Australia is leading the way in so many areas of medical science and innovation.

The series is a The Feds production for National Geographic People globally, series produced by Belinda Gibbon and Executive Produced and Series Directed by Julia Peters. International distribution will be handled by National Geographic / FNG Content Sales.

**Jerry Butterfield** ANZ Director Content & Communications Fox Networks Group said "It's important for the Nat Geo People brand that we can tell stories where cutting edge science intersects with the emotional and personal journeys of real people, so we're very pleased to commission a second season of Miracle Hospital with The Feds after the first was so successful in engaging Australian and International viewers alike.

"On the back of the success of series 1, we are thrilled to be working again with National Geographic on another series of Miracle Hospital. To be able to showcase Australia's medical innovation to such a large audience is a privilege and we are very proud to have the support of NGC, Screen Australia and of course, St Vincent's" said Executive Producer / Series Director Julia Peters.

The series has received production funding from Screen Australia.

"The first season of *Miracle Hospital* was broadcast around the globe, a significant achievement for local production company The Feds," said **Liz Stevens**, Senior Manager of Documentary at Screen Australia. "We are thrilled to partner with The Feds and Nat Geo to support a second series, which will continue to showcase the world-class skills of our Australian doctors and surgeons as they undertake ground-breaking medical procedures."

Production will begin in July 2017 and the series will screen on National Geographic People in 2018.





## About National Geographic Partners LLC:

National Geographic Partners LLC (NGP), a joint venture betw een National Geographic and 21st Century Fox, is committed to bringing the world premium science, adventure and exploration content across an unrivaled portfolio of media assets. NGP combines the global National Geographic television channels (National Geographic Channel, Nat Geo Wild, Nat Geo Mundo, Nat Geo People) with National Geographic's media and consumer-oriented assets, including National Geographic magazines; National Geographic studios; related digital and social media platforms; books; maps; children's media; and ancillary activities that include travel, global experiences and events, archival sales, licensing and e-commerce businesses. Furthering know ledge and understanding of the world has been the core purpose of National Geographic for 128 years, and now it is committed to going deeper, pushing boundaries, going further for consumers... all while reaching over 730 million people around the world in 171 countries and 45 languages every month. NGP returns 27 percent of its proceeds to the non-profit National Geographic Society to fund work in the areas of science, exploration, conservation and education. For more information visit natgeoty.com or nationalgeographic.com.

## About The Feds

The Feds is an Australian based production company delivering high quality, innovative content across all media platforms. We develop and produce concepts for television (broadcast and online), advertising, music videos, short length, feature length documentaries and films. We also develop and produce innovation initiatives that seamlessly cross these mediums, engaging the user in a premium multi-platform entertainment experience. We have a talented team with skills across development, production, directing, editing, business planning, and strategy development. Our team has an extensive array of experience and recognition for production projects across the globe.

## **About Screen Australia**

Screen Australia is a Federal Government agency charged with supporting Australian screen development, production and promotion.

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