

Jeff Wortman

Broadcaster

Jeff Wortman completed a Bachelor Of Visual And Performing Arts in 1999, majoring in Film Production. He went on to complete an Honours thesis the following year in 2000 in the area of Theatre Studies. His dissertation focused on Reading Sporting Events as performance where he used Theatrical modes of evaluation to deconstruct sport, with specific reference to football commentary.

During his studies Jeff worked part time, most notably as Richmond Football Club's Mascot 'Tiggy'. He performed prior to all Richmond's Melbourne games for 3 years in this role. Soon after completing his studies, Jeff began working for Rove McManus' company, Roving Enterprises as a runner on Rove Live. The following year he became a Production Assistant and occasional Segment Producer on Before The Game.

Jeff spent 2005 in Japan working as a male model, a role that he is not proud and would prefer not to talk about. He did however produce some good performances in the Karaoke Box in Funabashi that he is happy to talk about.

In 2007, Jeff began posting a weekly video segment with his friend Paul Hogan on youtube called 'Footywrap'. The videos were a hit with ex-pats living overseas, wanting to know what footy fans in Melbourne were really talking about. Footywrap was regularly featured on websites such as World Footy News and AFL Online.

In 2008, Jeff and Paul won the Herald Sun's You Legend competition with a Speckies video that featured himself and Paul taking Speckies over different unsuspecting people. The video included a cameo from Jon Bon Jovi. The Herald Sun built a page on their website for Jeff and Paul and signed them up to start producing regular videos for their website. Jeff and Paul had become a comedy duo and their popularity steadily grew, culminating in over 80,000 people clicking on their Brownlow Medal video of 2008.

At the end of 2008, Jeff began a band with Waleed Aly called Robot Child. The band write original rock songs and played their first gig this year. Jeff is the lead singer.



In 2009, Jeff began hosting a new show on Triple M called The Peanut Gallery (once again with his friend Paul Hogan riding shotgun.)

At the end of 2009, Eddie McGuire asked the Peanut Gallery boys to fill in over summer while he went on holidays. In Dec and Jan 2010, Jeff and Paul successfully conquered the breakfast timeslot with lots of support and plenty of new fans.

And The Peanut Gallery show continued for the rest of the year with lots of laughs and craziness.

In 2011, The Peanuts are still sharing their antics on their national night show Mon-Thurs.

Jeff is also a part time journalist. He has had articles published in The Age Sport section and on his SuperFooty Wrap Page on The Herald Sun website.

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- 2011 **The Peanut Gallery** show, Triple M nationally, Mon-Thurs 7pm-9pm
- 2010 **The Peanut Gallery** show, Triple M Melbourne, Sat & Sun 10am-12pm
- 2010 Regular appearances on Eddie McGuire's **Hot Breakfast** show, Triple M Melbourne
- 2010 **The Peanut Gallery** show, Triple M Melbourne, Mon-Thurs 10pm- 12am
- 2009/10 **The Peanut Gallery** summer breakfast- filling in for Eddie McGuire, Triple M, 6am-9am weekdays
- 2009 **The Peanut Gallery** show, Triple M Melbourne, Mon-Thurs nights 7pm-9pm
- 2009 Guest appearances as **The Peanut Gallery** on Triple M Melb breakfast show

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