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Lovely ladies and great hunk o' spunks, take your seats please ... sit back and relax, crack open the cardonnay as Kath, Kim, Kel, Sharon and Brett explore their dark underbellies...literally (special thanks to Tan-In-A-Can) in *Da Kath & Kim Code*, a 90 minute special on ABC TV on Sunday 27 November at 7.30pm.

Wow! Yes, this one-off 'almost a feature' has it all...intrigue, love, suspense, revenge and denial.

Kel and Kath have just been on an overseas tour based on the international blockbuster, *The Da Vinci Code*. They return to Fountain Lakes refreshed and ready to gear up for Christmas Day in just two weeks' time. But it will be the most harrowing two weeks of their lives. Kath's admiration for another man causes an outbreak of jealousy in Kel. The result is a shocking incident that could lead to a ruined marriage and possible legal proceedings.

Meanwhile Brett and Kim have serious issues. Brett's recent promotion at Computacity has gone to more than just his head. And who is the new man in Sharon's life? No-one seems to know. Could this lead to Sharon's dream wedding in Captain Cook's cottage?

More exciting than any airport thriller, *Da Kath & Kim Code* is an excursion into the unexplored crannies of life at Lagoon Court, Fountain Lakes. It's a tale of corporate greed, a puzzle of biblical proportions, and an emotional roller coaster that will churn your stomach ... literally.

Kath & Kim stars Gina Riley, Jane Turner, Magda Szubanski, Glenn Robbins and Peter Rowsthorn.

Special guest appearances by Australian megastar Barry Humphries and Canadian crooner, Michael Bublé.





In 2004, **Kath & Kim** was the top-rating Australian comedy for the second consecutive year. **Kath & Kim** has been ABC TV's top rating program for the past three years.

Both series 1 and 2 won the Logie for Most Outstanding Comedy Program. Series 1 scored three AFI Awards – for Best Television Drama Series and Best Screenplay in a Television Drama, with Magda Szubanski winning the Award for Best Actress in a Guest Role in a Television Drama Series. The Australian Comedy Awards 2003 also honoured Series 1 with the Award for Outstanding Australian Comedy (character-based) and an award to Glenn Robbins for Outstanding Comic Performance on Australian TV.



Kath & Kim has been sold to the UK, USA, New Zealand, Singapore, Finland, South Africa, Canada, Ireland and Fiji and it recently screened in the UK on BBC2 to rave reviews. BBC2 has recently licensed series 2 which will screen next year.

Writers: Jane Turner and Gina Riley.

Producers: Jane Turner, Gina Riley and Rick McKenna.

Co-producer: Laura Waters.

Director: Ted Emery.

Executive Producers: Gina Riley, Jane Turner and Rick McKenna.

ABC TV Executive Producer: Sue Lester.

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Character Biogs.



KIM

Kim has had her nails refilled, her botox shots and her hair has been foiled again. Brett's promotion means she gets to rub shoulders with middle management. All is not well with Fountain Lakes' new power couple.

KATH

Kath can't help it if her afodisiact does things to guys...yes she looks foxy in a high cut jean so shoot her. A hunk o' spunk crooner from overseas screws Kath's head on backwards and she likes what she sees (using a couple of mirrors).



KEL

Kel gets to play the ham at Christmas Carols but finds he has to de-bone himself or risk losing Kath to another. Lucky he is a good butcher. But there are far greater dangers lurking for Kel coming in through Tullamarine Airport.

SHARON

Sharon is still unlucky in love with red hair and no friends, or is she... do we hear the tinkle of wedding bells for Sharon or is that just her callipers from her clicky hips?



BRETT

Brett's promotion has gone to more than just his head and he becomes a label queen. As his ego runs rampant, his true colours come out and we don't mean just his khaki Yugo Boss.





Actor Biogs.

Jane Turner as Kath Day- Knight

Jane is one of Australia's most popular female comedians, renowned for her writing, producing and performing in *Big Girl's Blouse* and *Something Stupid*, as well as her performances in *Fast Forward* and *Full Frontal*. Her characters are well loved and include Russian TV presenter, Sveta.

Although Jane is best known for her comic work, she has performed in a number of theatre productions (*The Rocky Horror Show*, *Popcorn*, *Man the Balloon*), feature films (*Thank God He Met Lizzie*) and television dramas (*Prisoner*, *Cop Shop*).

Jane is creator, writer and executive producer of *Kath & Kim*. She is also special representative for Australia of the United Nations High Commissioner for refugees.

Gina Riley as Kim Craig

Gina's aspirations of being a serious actor were side-tracked into comedy when she met Glenn Robbins and Richard Stubbs. Starting out with stand-up, she quickly moved into television comedy such as *Fast Forward* and *Full Frontal*, along with *Big Girl's Blouse* and *Something Stupid*, which she also wrote and produced.

Gina appeared in both series of *The Games* for ABC TV, with John Clarke and Bryan Dawe. Her role of Gina, marketing and liaison manager saw her combine her comic timing, singing and dramatic skills.

Gina is creator, writer and executive producer of *Kath & Kim*, which also features her singing talents in the opening titles.



Magda Szubanski as Sharon Strzelecki

Magda Szubanski is best known internationally as Mrs Hoggett in the film, *Babe*, and its sequel, *Babe: Pig in the City*. She also starred as Brozzie in the 2002 release, *The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course* and *The Mask* sequel, *Son of the Mask*. She recently joined up with the Babe team to voice the upcoming animated feature, *Happy Feet*, alongside Brittany Murphy and Robin Williams.

A multi award-winner, Magda co-wrote, co-produced and starred in *Dogwoman* series and created the character of Sharon Strzelecki in the 1995 sketch show, *Big Girl's Blouse*, which she co-wrote, co-produced and in which she starred. Her other credits include *Something Stupid, D Generation* and *Fast Forward*.



Glenn Robbins as Kel Knight

Glenn is one of Australia's most popular performers. He was a regular member of *The Panel*, and appeared as Peter in the psychological drama movie, *Lantana*, in 2001. He started his career as a stand-up comedian, performing at popular comedy venues in Melbourne and Sydney. He moved into television, where he has become well known as a performer/writer for a number of television's top rating comedy shows including *All Aussie Adventures with Russell Coight* (series 1 and 2), *The Comedy Company*, *Fast Forward*, *Full Frontal* and *Jimeoin*.

Peter Rowsthorn as Brett Craig

Peter is a high energy, fast-paced stand-up comedian and also a measured character actor. He can be heard regularly on Triple M.

His television career kicked off with a role in *Let The Blood Run Free* (as the dribbling hospital orderly, Warren) and *The Comedy Company*, where he played a variety of characters. He played Bruno in the feature film, *Crackers*, and has starred in theatre productions *The Rocky Horror Show*, *Certified Male*, *Laughter on the 23rd Floor* and *The Tempest*. He was recently seen in the Nine Network telemovie, *Little Oberon*.

Production Biogs.

Laura Waters – Co-producer

Laura has held senior production roles in the US, UK and Australia with 20th Century Fox, Channel 4, the ABC, Foxtel, The Comedy Channel and the Seven Network.

After a decade of producing current affairs and documentaries, Laura turned her storytelling skills to narrative comedy. She has worked as a producer with some of Australia's best-loved comedians including Gina Riley and Jane Turner on series three of *Kath & Kim*, Shaun Micallef in *Welcher & Welcher*, Tony Martin during the release of *Bad Eggs*, Rove McManus on his Channel Nine pilot, Richard Fidler on *Aftershock* and Wendy Harmer on her radio show *Kaboom!*. Recently Laura founded Princess Pictures which produced Chris Lilley's series *We Can Be Heroes* and the ABC TV sketch show *Eagle & Evans*.

Ted Emery – Director

Ted Emery is arguably Australia's most successful comedy director. His feature film, *The Honourable Wally Norman*, opened the 2003 Sydney Film Festival. His television credits include *Welcher & Welcher*, *The Micallef Program* series, *Eric*, *The Late Report*, *Jimeoin*, *Full Frontal*, *Tonight Live with Steve Vizard*, *Acropolis Now* and *Fast Forward*. He produced *One Size Fits All*, *The Eric Bana Show Live*, *Fast Forward* and *Countdown*, and directed the feature film, *The Craic*. Ted has directed ten Logie award-winning programs throughout his career.

Rick McKenna – Executive Producer

Rick McKenna has been involved in the Australian comedy and entertainment industry for more than 24 years. As managing director of the legendary Last Laugh Theatre, Rick produced both live and television shows with the who's who of Australian comedy talent. His television credits include supervising producer of *Tonight Live with Steve Vizard* and *Jimeoin*, and executive producer of *Kath & Kim* series 1, 2 and 3.

Rick was a senior executive with Foxtel for five years, then the Nine Network and is now Executive Producer & Director of Business Affairs for Riley Turner Productions.

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