Hello,

I'm Brisbane based actor. I've been performing on stage and screen for over ten years. I'm also a mum to 2 small girls, and I've been working as a teacher in primary and secondary schools for the last couple of years.

If fewer Australian stories are made, my family and I will see less of ourselves and our culture reflected on our screens. Less Australian content also means less jobs for me. I love Brisbane and Australian and whilst the themes may be universal - our stories, our place and our culture is unique. Our way of storytelling is innovative and unique. More shows like Rake, Secret Life of Us, Kath & Kim, The Slap and movies like Priscilla Queen of the Desert, Rabbit Proof Fence, The Castle, Animal Kingdom...I could go on. Iconic films, beautiful told stories, unique Australian humour, talented cast and crews, production teams.

Bring on more kids shows like Bluey!! Recognisable land marks from our own city - the west end markets, mowing the lawn, camping, kookaburras. I want my girls to identify, relate, have pride, seeing Australian stories on screen.

Create jobs here. For Australians - now, more than ever. Let's appreciate the talent we have on our shores. I want to see more stories about Australians. Like Mabo - not only was this an incredible story about an incredible man in Australian history that every Australian should know about - this ABC telemovie gave me a job. We need significant change. Thanks for listening.

Kind regards,

I wish for my submission to be anonymous: Yes

I wish for my submission to be private: No

	Supporting documents:			
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This submission has been lodged via the <u>Media, Entertainment & Arts Alliance</u>.