



Bobby Goldsmith  
Foundation

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## **Hamish Macdonald to join Bobby Goldsmith Foundation as patron.**

Hamish Macdonald, award-winning journalist and co-host of *Global Roaming* on ABC Radio National and *The Project* on Channel Ten has joined the Bobby Goldsmith Foundation (BGF) as a new patron.

Nick Lawson, CEO of BGF made the announcement today. “We are thrilled to welcome Hamish as one of our patrons. His dedication to journalism and his commitment to social justice have made this a perfect partnership,” he said. “His voice and platform will be invaluable to us to raise awareness and advocate for all people living with HIV. We look forward to working together.”

Macdonald said “I am honoured to join BGF. Their work is so important and I look forward to contributing to their mission and helping to amplify the voices and stories of those affected by HIV.”

Hamish has had an extensive career covering wars, disasters and major world events and has seen him win numerous awards including a Walkley for current affairs journalism. He was also named Young Journalist of the Year by Britain’s Royal Television Society.

In addition to his work in Australia, Hamish has worked for Channel 4 News in the UK, Al Jazeera English and America’s ABC where he was international affairs correspondent.

In 2016, Hamish became a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University.



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### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Supporting people living with HIV has never been more important. Whilst transmission rates have dropped significantly, HIV is not over for the almost 30, 000 people living with HIV in Australia. Many of the people who BGF support are Long-Term Survivors, the first generation to age with HIV and have complex health and social needs. Now more than ever, they need our support.

### **ABOUT BGF:**

Bobby Goldsmith Foundation is Australia's longest running HIV charity.

Founded in 1984, when a group of friends got together to give their dying mate, Bobby Goldsmith the care he needed in the comfort of his home, BGF has gone on to provide that same individualised care to thousands of Australians.

BGF has been providing in-home care and community support for many years now and we're excited to see this specialised and much needed support made available to a broader demographic.

Every week we're seeing increased people from diverse backgrounds walk through our doors.

Young. Old. Gay. Straight. Bi. Queer. Male. Female. Non-binary. Trans. Every race. Every religion. Many of them isolated, all of them in need of support.

From the first generation to age with HIV, to a diverse new generation of people facing new challenges - we're here to help. For life.

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