

Dr Leslie Cannold

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PROFILE

Dr Leslie Cannold is an author, commentator, ethicist, researcher and social activist. Leslie's non-fiction works include the award-winning *The Abortion Myth* and *What, No Baby?*. Her first novel will be published in 2011 by Text. Leslie can often be found in the media holding forth on life, ethics and everything. She chats regularly with Deborah Cameron on **702 ABC Sydney** and with Greg Carey on **Brisbane Radio 4BC**. Her Moral Maze column appears fortnightly in the Sydney Sun-Herald and she is the resident ethicist on the **7pm Project**. Past appearances include Radio National, Triple J, Q & A, Today Tonight, The 7:30 Report, A Current Affair, The Catch-Up, The Einstein Factor, Insight, 9am with David & Kim, Sunrise and Lateline. Leslie's views have appeared in the Sydney Morning Herald, The Age, the Herald Sun (The Courier Mail (Brisbane), The Walkley, The Australian Book Review, the Salvation Army's Warcry and the national broadsheet The Australian. Leslie holds adjunct positions at both the University of Melbourne and Monash University. She sits on the ethics panel of the Infertility Treatment Authority, the Victorian Physiotherapy Board and the Human Research and Ethics Committee of the Victorian Department of Human Services. She is president of Reproductive Choice Australia and Pro Choice Victoria.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- In 2005, Leslie was selected as one of Australia's top 20 public intellectuals
- In 2005, *What, No Baby?* made the Australian Financial Review's top 101 books
- In 2002, *The Abortion Myth* received "outstanding" marks in the ALA University Press Books Selected for Public and Secondary School Libraries
- Profiled in *Who's Who in Australia* and *Who's Who of Australian Women*

EXPERIENCE

Consulting, editing, mentoring, lecturing and public speaking **2005-**

Leslie offers research, strategic advice and other consultancy services on a broad range of issues, assists established authors to tone and shape their manuscripts, mentors emerging writers and activists and is in high demand as a guest lecturer and public speaker. More information at services at www.cannold.com

Research Fellow, Centre for Applied Philosophy & Public Ethics, University of Melbourne **2000-2005**

Conduct research, teaches and supervises students; assesses NHMRC and ARC grant applications and PhD theses and coordinates staff research seminars

Research Officer, Health Industry Training Board, Melbourne **1995**

Researched, edited, wrote Health Industry Training Plan. Liaised with stakeholder steering group

Research Assistant, Centre for Human Bioethics, Monash University, Clayton **1993-1994**

Liaised with Professor Peter Singer regarding design and conduct of interdisciplinary research. Investigated whether ethical decision-making of health professionals is gendered. Prepared results for publication

Research Assistant, Centre for HIV Social Research, Parkville **1992-1993**

Participated in all aspects of research exploring impact of HIV on gay men's intimacy needs including liaising with community stakeholders and preparing papers for publication.

EDUCATION

RMIT Creative Media Department, Melbourne, VIC
Diploma Professional Writing and Editing: Novel 1 and 2

University of Melbourne, Parkville, VIC
Doctor of Philosophy: Interdisciplinary Thesis (ethics/psychology/women's studies)/ Awarded MRS scholarship

Monash University, Clayton, VIC
Master of Bioethics: Earned H1 on interdisciplinary thesis (ethics/psychology/women's studies)

Wesleyan University, Connecticut USA
Bachelor of Arts