

# Yemi Penn

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## ***Speaker, Researcher, Engineer, Author & Filmmaker***

Yemi Penn is a global thought leader on how to ignite your Rebellious Curiosity at an individual, team and organisational level.

An Engineer by profession, Entrepreneur by passion Yemi fuses analytical thinking with creativity to produce superior outcomes. She is an advocate for challenging status quo, being a disruptor in all industries to bring about innovative and sometimes radical change.

She is a champion and steadfast advocate for equality and equity in STEM fields, inviting individuals to tap into their self-empowerment using her bespoke 'pain to power' mapping technique which unlocks their unique resilience blueprint.

Yemi is a force to be reckoned with and has inspired audiences across Australia, the United Kingdom, Africa and the United States, where she has delivered a TED talk on the TEDx Ocala stage in Florida.

Yemi's superpower is meeting people wherever they are.

## ***Yemi Penn speaks about:***

### **Keynote Topics:**

- 1. Igniting your Rebellious Curiosity:** Yemi Penn will not only inspire attendees but move them to action by sharing tools and challenging attendees to start with themselves by being curious about their belief systems and challenging the status quo in the process.
- 2. Liminal Thinking:** Yemi Penn will share her formula for bending reality, sharing how the boundaries that usually cage us can be used as props to bring about superior outcomes.
- 3. Shame and Trauma Resilience:** Yemi Penn is a leading thought leader on Trauma in Australia, currently undertaking a PhD researching the transformative nature of trauma. She leads individuals and organisations through their pain points using her bespoke 'pain to power' mapping tool to empower people through their transformation. Paving the way for greater connection within teams and kinder organisations.



**4. How to be an Ally:** Through keynotes and deep dives, Yemi holds the space for uncomfortable yet necessary conversations that are typically avoided because it is just too hard.

#### Client testimonials:

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“ Yemi has assisted to host and facilitate two workshops for my team as part of delivery of a key infrastructure mega project. Yemi has proven herself twice over in her ability to bring a diverse cross set of individuals into a room and onto the same page, navigating complex and challenging discussion in a safe, professional and welcoming dialogue. Her engineering qualifications and prior mega project experience provide a key strength with her ability to read the room and work through complex technical subject matter as well as team dynamic. A great asset to any team looking for a facilitator to break down some barriers respectfully and ‘call out the elephants in the room, ensuring no one gets trampled’.

- *TfNSW*

“ Yemi has a magical ability to connect with large audiences, bring them on a journey of self discovery, whilst embracing their own vulnerability. Yemi is an unexpected powerhouse of emotions and inspiration. She engaged our audience through challenging questions, difficult conversation and well timed humour. Yemi is wonderful to work with, bringing her whole self to each engagement, deeply understanding your purpose and where you want to take your audience. I would recommend Yemi to be your next keynote or MC with no hesitation.

- *Lead Content Curator , The Outside*

“ For the past 5 years, Yemi has been facilitating training and challenging conversations for different UTS Women in Engineering and IT initiatives. She has a special way of engaging a diverse audience and making everyone feel heard and seen. Every conversation with Yemi leaves the room inspired and motivated to own and change things in a new way. Her background in engineering, coaching, speaking and research gives her a unique and creative perspective to work with diverse groups and achieve the desired outcomes.

- *UTS Women in Engineering and IT*

“ Yemi Penn is an unconventional mentor in the best way. Her generosity and clarity helped me shift years of hiding and not putting myself out there. With her on my side I felt like I could move mountains and I literally did. Yemi helped me bust through my own limitations and really genuinely back myself from a grounded honest place. Yemi is a refreshing mentor who brings her full self to every session. Her passion is infectious and her insight cuts through all uncertainty. If you get the chance to work with Yemi and are really ready to bust through your glass ceilings then go for it!

*- Delegate*

“ Yemi was very personable, sharing from her own experience built immediate rapport. Personally I was very impressed that Yemi was in the room for 2hrs prior to her session. This became evident in her presentation when she referred back to topics that previous speakers had discussed, making her key points more relevant to the audience.

*- Hammond Care*

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