

Jason Stevens

Former Professional Rugby League Player, Writer, Screenwriter and Actor



Jason Stevens was not your average sport star. Though he played the game of rugby league at the highest level for fourteen years, representing both his State and Country on numerous occasions, and receiving in 2000 an Australian Sportsman's Medal for his accomplishments on the field, it's his work off the paddock that has contributed to him being described by Australia's number one newspaper as "the changing face of Rugby League".

Jason grew up as the second of 4 children, from European descent. He grew up in challenging family circumstances, but those challenges made him who he is today.

He completed a Bachelor of Commerce Degree at the University of New South Wales and working for Ernst & Young, whilst also playing professional Rugby League.

One of Jason Stevens' desires is to use his platform to make a difference, and in 2002 he wrote "Worth the Wait", a book aimed at encouraging young people to appreciate themselves and to make better choices with the relationships around them. The favourable media attention surrounding the book led to many appearances on national television where people warmed even further to this big man's heart, intelligence and quick witted sense of humour. In fact it wasn't long following these appearances that Jason was picked up by the ABC's The Fat, a sporting and lifestyle program in which Jason was a regular panellist and was given his own entertainment segment; conducting interviews with Australian and International icons.

After much appraisal for his work, Channel Nine, signed Jason to The Footy Show as "Mr Entertainment", continuing the trend of celebrity interviews.

Audience and celebrities enjoy Jason's high energy and ability to laugh at himself. Whether it's swapping smackdown stories with former hardman wrestler turned movie star "The Rock", flexing his muscles at a blushing Nicole Kidman on the red carpet, or learning dance moves in a dance workout with Carmen Electra, Jason Stevens creativity and genuine style combines to leave the audiences wanting more.

Jason played the cowardly lion in the stage play *The Wiz* and Pharaoh in *Joseph and the amazing technicolor dream coat* at the Seymour Centre.

Jason also hosted the documentary, *The Disposable Ones*, which explores the amazing strength and survival of Colombia's underprivileged children and child soldiers struggling to live amid harsh conditions, abuse, and disease.

Jason's key message centres around the struggles of his early childhood, being raised by a single mother in adverse family circumstances and then rising to the top of his field by using these challenges as motivation to propel him towards his destiny.

Jason has also spoken at numerous churches across the nation. His ability to share personally has encouraged many to move towards faith and hope.

In 2017, Jason wrote and produced his first feature film *Chasing Comets*. The film was nominated for an ADG Award. In 2022, Jason wrote, directed and produced his second feature, *Finally Me*. He currently has several films and TV series in development.

Jason Stevens talks about:

- Overcoming challenges and understanding that these were brought your way to grow and expand you, not limit you.
- The power of unity in a team environment.
- Having courage to move out of the comfort zone and pursue your dream.
- Believing against the odds.

Client testimonials

“ Jason's outgoing and friendly nature allows him to relate to people from all walks of life, from business people to youth.

- *National Rugby League*

“ Jason was extremely professional & very worthwhile. He relayed key messages well and spoke of his experiences and anecdotally tied sport & business together very well!!

- *Telstra Enterprise & Government*

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