

# Judith Ann Kampfner

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**Career Focus** I am a Broadcaster who has worked for over twenty years in public radio on three continents. I present and produce long form documentaries. I produce radio dramas. My skills are in writing, researching, interviewing, directing, voice over and also lecturing and teaching. In recent years I have focused on my own audio production business, the Corporation of Independent Media.

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**Education** B.A. / M.A. / P.G.C.E in History and Social and Political Sciences, University of Cambridge

**Teaching** Tutor in Theatre Studies at University of New South Wales while on postgraduate MA course

**London  
2005 -  
Present** Company Director – Corporation for Independent Media

- Producer and Presenter of radio documentaries and dramas for BBC R4, R3 and World Service.
- Winner of Sony bronze award for Music Documentary and nominated for Sony Drama 2008
- Producer of programmes about history, literature, the arts, education, religion and current affairs.
- Direct leading Hollywood as well as British actors in radio dramas
- 2009 documentaries include for the BBC WS Obama Professor President, Lincoln and the World, Dreams From My Mother. Features and Dramas 2009 For BBC R3 Wheels and Stones For BBC R4 Book of the Week. Darger and the Detective, Utz.
- Trainer
- Trainer BBC WS Bursary Scheme, Field and Studio Editing and Production
- Lecturer in documentary production at Canterbury Christ Church University, Kent,

#### Commercial Projects

- Podcasts for University of Edinburgh Researchers in Residence project
- Language podcasts for Kings Cross French/English Business Initiative

**New York  
1999 - 2005** Culture Producer – WNYC New York Public Radio

- Developed a national arts show Studio 360 in its pilot phase.
- Presented and produced weekly feature on the arts in New York for the breakfast programme.
- Liaised between News and Music Departments.
- Appeared regularly on daily live music show Soundcheck.
- Produced one-hour arts specials.
- Interactive work included a blog, tape slide shows, essays, photos and briefing web designers on cultural content.
- Trainer in NPR mentorship scheme
- Exchange Producer: producing On Screen for BBC WS in London-
- Awards: NY Festivals Gold, Gracie Awards, NY Press Club – all for long form documentaries

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**Chicago  
1992 - 1999** Freelance Producer and Presenter

- For Soundprint Media Delivered 22 x 30' documentaries distributed across America including major science, space and medicine series as well as many personal and human interest stories with high production values
- Continue work with Soundprint up to present.

- Also produced and presented packages for NPR/PRI shows like Savvy Traveler, Marketplace, The World, Performance Today, All Things Considered.
- Trainer and Producer for WBEZ Chicago Public Radio Chicago Matters – annual series
- Awards: PRINDI and Wilbur awards for national documentaries.

**London  
1989 -1992**

Freelance Producer - Various

- Long and short form features for BBC
- Co-coordinator newsroom, ABC London office
- On-air personality in New York at radio station WNYC (the largest public radio station in the US) for six years
- Experienced in narrating news spots, promos and read fund raising commercials as well as hosting live events
- Judging Selection on BBC World Service Drama Competition

**Sydney  
1986 - 1988**

Executive Producer, Radio Drama – ABC Sydney

- Ran national department which broadcast four plays a week
- Supervised 18 producers over five regional offices.
- Innovated new radio drama formats, including live broadcasts
- Produced plays from new playwrights

**Other  
Relevant  
Experience**

Voiceover Artist – BBC and America, London and United States

- Presentation of numerous narratives, documentaries and features for the BBC and in America
- On-air personality in New York at radio station WNYC (the largest public radio station in the US) for six years
- Experienced in narrating news spots, promos and read fund raising commercials as well as hosting live events.

Tertiary Lecturing and Teaching – Various, Worldwide

- Drama Teacher to University students
- Lecturing University students part-time in all aspects of Radio Documentary Making.
- Director of various productions for small youth theatre companies including The Young Vic Theatre
- Teaching students aged 11-18 Drama, English and History up to A and AS Level at Haberdashers Aske's Boys School, Elstree.

**Interests**

Yoga, film, theatre, hiking, swimming, wind surfing

**Professional  
Affiliations**

Secretary and Board Member – Radio Independents Group RIG

Contributions to RIG, which looks after the interests of independent broadcasting companies in the UK.

Member of the Society of Authors

Member of the Radio Academy

**References**

These are available upon request