

Convener Senate Enquiry,

I am horrified at the proposed changes to ABC programing.

I want the ABC to continue to be a producer of innovative quality programming in all areas. I understand that the changes being considered will reduce Radio National arts programming by almost one-sixth. In particular the book show which is such a model of good broadcasting and intelligent interviewing -- already there are too many programs that are not locally grown. The community is rapidly losing the ABC as the innovator and producer of diverse programs of cultural value and intellectual integrity Please strengthen Auntie and do not diminish her

I want to see:

- the ABC to be less dependent on outsourced programming
- the ABC to be funded and rebuilt so that it has strong specialist units to produce high levels of high quality and genuinely local in-house programming in all program genres on radio, TV and online

a public broadcaster that is focused on diversity and quality, not ratings -- sincerely Jenni Mitchell