

Honourable Senators,  
ABC Enquiry,  
Canberra

A brief submission to share my concern about the future of the ABC.

My wish is for the ABC to continue to be a producer of innovative, quality programming.

In particular:

1. It is highly desirable for the ABC to be less dependent on outsourced programming.
2. It is important to enable funding so that local programmes of high quality can continue;  
particularly  
on TV and Radio National.

There is considerable concern that the Arts programmes are being considered for time reduction.

Overall the ABC should continue as a viable public broadcaster with a strong focus on diversity and quality

as well as local content - not ratings driven.

The ABC has the capacity to raise issues for public discussion in a way quite different to commercial TV  
and radio stations.

The above are for your serious consideration.

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