

**YUMI STYNES**

The story of Yumi Stynes is the stuff of legends. One of the two now infamous winners of the Channel [V] music reporter search (along with James Mathison), Yumi blew [V] staffers away with an audition that was as unique as she is. One day she's making ham-and-cheese sandwiches in a Melbourne takeaway; within weeks she's being snogged by Robbie Williams on the Channel [V]'s (former) live national clip request program, By Demand.

Yes, Yumi Stynes is fearless. She combines a unique and dynamic sense of individual style with a take-no-prisoners approach to live television, throwing an edgy and progressive range of musical taste into the mix.

For this now fully-fledged working girl and mother of two, that aspirant charm has translated beautifully. After a stint co-hosting Channel [V]'s most popular live video request show, Whatuwant with Andrew G, she took to dance floor along side Mike Kerry as the hostess with the mostest on Room 208, Channel [V]'s answer to Solid Gold.

In February 2007, Yumi Stynes joined MAX, having moved over from sister channel – Channel [V] where she began hosting 'The Know'. Yumi Stynes: *"I'm thrilled about the move because it's like allowing a more grown-up me to shine through. Having worked in music television for seven years, I have an extensive knowledge of classics that'll be put to good use on MAX. I also really like the idea of being able to nurture ideas – musicians can be fascinating and given the right environment, their thoughts and inspirations can embellish a song and add amazing depths to a viewer's enjoyment. I think MAX is a place where we really appreciate the art of music."*

In 2010 Yumi joined Network Ten as one of four co-hosts on The Circle *"After years of doing live TV on Channel [V] I'm psyched to be back feeling that live energy again, five days a week! It's something you can't fake and a kind of magic excitement fairy dust gets sprinkled over whatever you're doing. I'm also really looking forward to working with my co-hosts. Chemistry is nine tenths of the equation and I can't wait to see how as a team we engage with the viewers and the world at large."*

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With The Circle now in its second year, Yumi has proven herself to be an intelligent and witty presenter who is respected by viewers, co-hosts and guests alike.

A keen runner, Yumi needs her stamina to balance the year ahead. With her continued role on MAX she's become one of the busiest women in television.

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