

# Wilhelmina Shrimpton

A proficient and adept broadcaster, and certainly an all-rounder, Wilhelmina Shrimpton has amassed years of experience across radio, TV and online.

Thirteen years ago she began her career with TVNZ, before cutting her teeth as a journalist in the hot house that is the RadioLIVE newsroom.

Television eventually won Wilhelmina over again, and in 2015 she found herself working on Three's morning show with Paul Henry before quickly moving to a reporting role on Newshub Live at 6pm.

She's been at the forefront of numerous breaking news events in our recent history. She covered the Lindt Cafe Siege, the Kaipara Harbour boating tragedy, the Kawerau siege, and the Christchurch mosque attacks.

But Wilhelmina has also enjoyed the creativity of lighter story, learning to perfect a more conversational style while covering events like the NZ Music Awards, NZ Fashion Week and several Royal Tours.

She's particularly interested in crime, justice and social issues - having done numerous investigations on topics like homelessness, synthetic cannabis and loan sharks.

Up until recently Wilhelmina split her time between reporting for Newshub Live at 6pm and fronting Newshub Late, before she departed the newsroom to take up a role as a co-host and newsreader on Today FM's popular drive time slot.

She also has her own weekly show/podcast for the station called 'The Core'. Each episode is a deep investigative dive into topical issues facing Kiwis.

Despite having lived a fast-paced news lifestyle, friendly Wilhelmina loves a good laugh. Her light-hearted personality makes her instantly likeable, her approachable smile always at the ready.



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This has contributed greatly to Wilhelmina's success as an MC. Having spoken to people from all walks of life she knows how to read and connect with a range of different crowds, her lighthearted personality and professionalism allowing her to think on the fly, crack a joke or two, and make all audiences feel at ease - no matter the setting.

### Testimonials

For the past two years Wilhelmina has been the NZ Polo Open's VIP Fashion on the Field VIP judge, as well as stepping into the role of MC for the event. It goes without saying she is incredibly professional and diligent as our presenter, but she also injects life and a sense of fun into proceedings. For our last event, she even threw herself into some impromptu commentary of the runway part of the event – a treat which went down well with the audience. Wilhelmina really does elevate our event into something people really look forward to. We seriously hope she's back for another year in 2021.

Fiona Hawtin - FQ Editor and Organiser of FOTF for NZ Polo Open

"Not only was Wilhelmina's presentation style elegant and eloquent, she had also undertaken considerable research into the [low carbon] topic, and introduced the guest speakers and the organisations they represented with understanding and sincerity. Wilhelmina was totally committed to working with our team to deliver a seamless event. She was proactive throughout the evening, engaging with guests and keeping the speakers on track, helping to ensure that the restaurant team could deliver the three exceptional courses on time. We certainly look forward to calling on Wilhelmina for future events here at Sky city."

Lizzie Leuchars, SKYCITY Entertainment Group

"Wilhelmina was such a delight to have at our Orsini Celebration of Spring Garden Party fundraising for the NZ Gynaecological Cancer Foundation. Immaculately presented, Wilhelmina was well prepared and professional, managing the formalities and bringing a warmth and enthusiasm to the event that enabled her to connect effortlessly with the guests.

Sympathetic to the cause, Wilhelmina was authentic and proactive in relating to the Women of Teal speakers who shared their Gynaecological Cancer survival stories.

Her experience shone as the smile never left her face. We are so pleased and appreciative of Wilhelmina's talents as she made our event memorable and would gladly host her again for any future fundraising occasions. Wilhelmina is an absolute gem that we could not recommend more."

Jan Barker, NZGCF

"If you're considering a professional, reliable and talented MC who will present your event with passion and enthusiasm, it would be difficult to recommend anyone more highly than Wilhelmina. She was a pleasure to work with in the lead up to - and at - our major fashions in the field competition on Boxing Day and, whilst presenting herself impeccably, she also displayed an absolute understanding of what was required. Apart from the above, she's one of the loveliest individuals around and possesses a highly infectious and fun personality."

Olivia Kinley, Auckland Racing Club | Ellerslie Event Centre

"It was a great pleasure to work with Wilhelmina, as a Master of Ceremony, for the Kiwi-Indian Hall of Fame, awards night 2019. She carried the three-hour-long live event with ease and grace, that only a seasoned talent can do. Wilhelmina is an absolute professional with a superior work ethic and a zeal to excel. She is a director's delight and able to be flexible as per the event requirements while keeping the formalities in place at the same time. Her balance of talent and presentation skills is exceptional and worth its weight in gold. Hope to work with her in future as well."

Garry Gupta, Media Solutions Kiwi Ltd