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SAE experts available for comment on International Women's Day

This International Women's Day, experts from [SAE Creative Media Institute](#) are available for comment on topics relating to gender equality, Aboriginal studies, LGBTIQ issues, and women in the film, television, video games, and audio industries.

Dr Magali McDuffie, Perth

Topics of interest: *women in film, equality in film, Aboriginal studies*

Magali is the [Academic Film Department](#) Coordinator and National Film Program Committee Chair at SAE. Through film projects with the Tweed community, and later with Indigenous Community Volunteers in Canberra, both as a volunteer and in her professional capacity as a filmmaker, Magali has travelled across Australia to produce short films with and for different Aboriginal communities, including to the Kimberley to work with Nyikina women. Her collaborative work has led to the presentation of more than 30 short films at the Human Rights Commission in [UNESCO](#), and at national and international film festivals and conferences.

Fae Daunt, Melbourne

Topics of interest: *women in gaming, gender equality, LGBTIQ issues*

Fae is a [Games Lecturer](#) at SAE and had the honor of being the only educator on the inaugural [Gender Equality InGames List for 2019](#). The list recognises 50 industry professionals in Australia and New Zealand actively working to make a positive change for gender diversity in the games industry. Fae was recognised for her growing influence in the trans activism arena. In the past she has given talks at the largest industry and consumer gaming conferences in Australia; [GCAP](#) (Games Connect Asia-Pacific) and [PAX](#) on the importance of trans recognition and gender inclusiveness in the industry. She is also one of seven administrators of Games Developers of Australia, that has a focus on promoting diversity in the industry.



ANIMATION

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& MUSICCREATIVE
INDUSTRIES

DESIGN



FILM



GAMES

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MOBILE

Alicia Butterworth (Eames), Brisbane

Topics of interest: *women in television and film, gender equality, virtual reality technology*

Alicia is a Film Lecturer at SAE. She is an experienced international location sound recordist who has worked on a wide range of projects from feature documentaries to award winning TV shows and live sport. She was part of an all-women film crew for live coverage of the women's State of Origin series back in 2019. As well as freelancing as a sound recordist, Alicia is currently conducting research into spatial sound for virtual reality films. Alicia is passionate about the transformative power of sound to move audiences through film-based storytelling and loves nothing more than fantastic and clean on-set audio.

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