## Caleb Rixon

Speaker | Advocate | MC

In the tapestry of storytellers, Caleb Rixon stands as a luminary. Trained at the distinguished Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (**WAAPA**) and the Victorian College of the Arts (**VCA**), he emerged not just as an artist, but as a rare and profound storyteller.

Caleb's narrative is woven from threads of triumph over adversity. From the seismic shift of a lifealtering stroke at 24 to becoming a global advocate for stroke and brain injury survivors; his journey resonates through esteemed platforms like <u>ABC News</u>, <u>ABC TV</u>, <u>ABC Radio National</u>, <u>ABC Melbourne 'Homespun'</u>, <u>SBS Insight</u>, and Channel Seven's <u>House of Wellness</u>.

In founding the <u>Genyus Foundation</u>, Caleb constructed a sanctuary for those touched by disability and difference, a testament to his belief that every voice and narrative, deserves not only to be heard, but to be celebrated. As the Chief Vision Officer of the <u>Genyus Network</u>, Caleb embodies the boundless potential within each individual.

Caleb's work extends beyond the borders of nations, resonating with audiences worldwide and earning him a coveted place among the select 100 attendees at 'HealtheVoices' conference in New Jersey, USA, presented by Janssen, Johnson & Johnson.

His literary contributions are as impactful as his spoken words. Publications like "Disability, Dating and Disclosure" published by ABC News, "Connection: Stories not statistics" published by Cambridge University Press and "Finding Yourself After Stroke" by Disruptive Publishing are markers of his literary prowess.

His voice, both written and spoken, has graced events including keynote presentations for the Transport Accident Commission (TAC), National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), Occupational Therapy Australia (OTA), STROKE 2018 National Conference, 2020 Australian Institute Digital Health Summit, and 2022 UK Stroke Forum. In online health events, he's illuminated discussions at "Fresh Voices in Brain Impairment" and "Help Disrupt The Isolation Industry" for Australasian Society for the Study of Brain Impairment (ASSBI), as well as Digital Health Week 2022.

When Caleb takes the stage, his presence is a fusion of authenticity, vulnerability, and empowerment, transforming every event into a pivotal experience.

As Master of Ceremonies, his dynamic hosting style has graced awards ceremonies such as the **2023 Geelong Disability Awards** by **genU** and **City of Greater Geelong (COGG)** and the **2023 National Disability Awards** by **National Disability Services (NDS)**. He's also lent his charismatic touch to national conferences for **NDS**, <u>ASSBI</u>, <u>OTA</u>, Health Justice Australia plus public events for the **Stroke Association of Victoria** and <u>genU</u>.

"I fully endorse working with Caleb. He presented one of the most moving accounts of head injury that I have ever heard; he provided remarkable insights into his experiences of recovery & his wider perceptions. Caleb is warm, honest & engaging & he made the audience both laugh out loud & then move them to tears. He has a clear message, & doesn't pull back any punches with this. His insights are gold dust for clinicians, researchers & all people working in professional care." — Professor Avril Drummond, Professor Healthcare Research at University of Nottingham (UK).

Caleb's influence extends to major brands as well, having spoken for **NBN**, **BUPA** and **L'Oréal Australia**, showcasing his ability to resonate with diverse audiences and industries.

Inviting Caleb to your event means inviting a storyteller whose narrative transcends boundaries. His journey is an ode to the resilience of the human spirit, and his presence on stage is an invitation to believe in the boundless potential within us all.

It's an opportunity to experience the power of storytelling, resilience, and inspiration personified in one exceptional individual.

