

Reporting from conflict zones: telling the stories of the victims

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Sophie McNeill Foreign Correspondent

Law Lecture Theatre Law School, Fellows Road, ANU



Sophie McNeill is an award winning foreign correspondent who has covered some of the world's most difficult and dangerous stories from areas such as Iraq, Kurdistan, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Gaza. She has been based most recently in Jerusalem, Beirut and New York.

Sophie's incredible talent, her courage as a journalist and her commitment to tell the stories of those affected by conflict and injustice have been recognised in the wide range of awards she has received, including a Walkley Award – the highest honour for an Australian journalist. Sophie has also been a 2006 New York Film Festival finalist; been honoured as the 2008 YEN Young Woman of the Year and YEN Journalist of the Year; and been awarded

Western Australia's Young Person of the Year Award (when she was just 16). Her work has been praised as 'exceptional' by leading journalists such as John Pilger.

Sophie's achievements are particularly remarkable given this seasoned foreign correspondent made her first documentary in a conflict zone when she was 15 years of age and is only 26.

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