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## Monique Wright to co-host Weekend Sunrise

**Channel Seven has appointed Monique Wright as the permanent co-host of *Weekend Sunrise* alongside Andrew O'Keefe.**

Monique is well-known to viewers of Australia's highest rating weekend breakfast program, having regularly filled in on the show.

"Andrew and the team are some of the best people I've ever worked with in my 18 years at Channel Seven", says Monique. "It is a unique show and I am truly honoured to have been offered the role.

"If you have to work weekends, to be able to do it with people you genuinely like and care about is such a bonus."

Monique joined Channel Seven in 1996 and has covered everything from emergencies and politics to medical breakthroughs and human interest stories from all corners of the globe. Her ability to get the most out of people has seen celebrities such as Luciano Pavarotti, Tom Hanks and Leonardo DiCaprio open up to her. Some of the major broadcast events she has filed from include the royal wedding and four Olympic Games. Monique has reported for *Sunrise* since it started and was part of the original reporting team for *Sunday Night*. She continues as co-host of *The Daily Edition*.

"When it comes to storytelling, Monique is as good as it gets," says *Sunrise* and *Weekend Sunrise* executive producer Michael Pell. "She's a terrific journalist and a great person. I have no doubt she'll do wonderful things on *Weekend Sunrise*.

"Seven has a proud history of identifying and developing talent from within. Monique has been part of the *Sunrise* family from day one and this is the perfect next step in her already stellar career."

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