

TANIA DE JONG BIO

Long version:

Tania de Jong AM

Disruptive, diverse and divine voice of an angel

Creative, courageous and compassionate

Tania de Jong is a trail-blazing Australian soprano, award-winning social entrepreneur, creative innovation catalyst, spiritual journeywoman, storyteller and global speaker. She works across the public, private, creative and social sectors.

With a [grandmother](#) who invented the first foldable umbrella, creativity and innovation are in Tania's blood. And as the daughter of Holocaust survivors she has learnt about resilience and re-invention and developed a passion for diversity and social inclusion.

When she was just 14 years old her best friend told her not to bother having singing lessons. So it's not surprising that her mission is to change the world, one voice at a time. Tania's TED Talk [How Singing Together Changes The Brain](#) has sparked international interest,

Tania presents keynote speeches, leadership programs and workshops inspiring creative leadership, entrepreneurship, social inclusion, diversity and innovation globally.

Tania is the Founder of two charities. [Creativity Australia](#) works with a range of marginalised individuals (including migrants, people with depression and disabilities and job seekers) and communities to build supportive networks through the acclaimed "With One Voice" choir social inclusion programs. Through the [Sing for Good](#) project [Creativity Australia](#) aimed to get the whole world singing and raising funds to support disadvantaged people. In 2016, [Creativity Australia](#) received the Melbourne Award for Contribution to Community and has been named in Anthill's Top 100 Smart Innovations every year since 2013.

Tania also founded [The Song Room](#) which has provided access to creative learning and wellbeing for over 400,000 disadvantaged Australian children since 1999.

Tania is the Founder of [Creative Universe](#) transformational leadership and innovation capability programs, acclaimed opera/music theatre group [Pot-Pourri](#), [MTA Entertainment & Events](#) and [Creative Innovation Global](#) which presents the acclaimed Ci2010-Ci2017 future-shaping innovation conference events. Ci2013 and Ci2015 were named Corporate Event of the Year in the Global Eventex Awards and Ci2015 was also named in the Anthill Smart 100 and Australian Corporate Event of the Year. Creative Universe and Creative Innovation Global were ranked among the top 20 event organizers and agencies from around the world as part of the newly released Eventex All-Stars Index.

Tania has recently founded a co-working space called [Dimension5](#) in Melbourne to drive social innovation and collaboration.

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She performs internationally as a soloist and with her group [Pot-Pourri](#) who have toured overseas on over 40 occasions and released 10 albums. She is considered one of Australia's most talented sopranos.

Tania has a Bachelor of Law (Honours) from the University of Melbourne and is a graduate of Victorian College of the Arts in opera, music theatre and voice. Tania's awards include Ernst and Young Australian Social Entrepreneur of the Year, the "Outstanding Individual Contribution to Australian Culture", Churchill Fellowship and The Melbourne Awards. She was inducted into the AGSE Entrepreneurs Hall of Fame at Swinburne University and named Brainlink Woman of Achievement. Tania was named in the 2016 Impact 25 Awards. These awards honour the social sector's most influential people for their significant and positive impact in Australia and around the world.

She was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in June 2008 for service to the Arts as a performer and entrepreneur and through the establishment and development of music and arts enrichment programs for schools and communities.

She sings in many languages, including English, Spanish, French, Latin, German, Italian, Russian, Mandarin Chinese, Japanese and Hebrew.

Tania has released three solo albums, *Soundsations*, [Heaven on Earth](#) and the new release [Flying Free](#).

(Trivia: Tania attended college in the USA on a tennis scholarship. Her grandmother [Slawa Duldig](#) invented the first foldable umbrella in Vienna in 1929.)

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Medium version:

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Acclaimed Australian soprano, award-winning social entrepreneur, creative innovation catalyst, inclusionista, global speaker, spiritual journeywoman

Founder Creative Universe, Creativity Australia, Dimension5, Music Theatre Australia, Pot-Pourri, The Song Room and Founder and Executive Producer of Creative Innovation Global

Tania is a leading Australian soprano, inspirational speaker, social entrepreneur, creative innovation catalyst and spiritual journeywoman. She works across the public, private, creative and social sectors. She founded [Creativity Australia](#), [Creative Universe](#), [MTA Entertainment & Events](#) and The Song Room and works with disadvantaged communities through Creativity Australia's 'With One Voice' choir social inclusion programs. Tania presents [keynote speeches](#) and [leadership programs](#) and performs internationally as a soloist and with her group [Pot-Pourri](#) with whom she has released seven albums.

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She is **Founder and Executive Producer of [Creative Innovation Global](#)**. Ci2013 and Ci2015 were named Corporate Event of the Year in the **Global Eventex Awards**, Ci2015 was also named in the Anthill Smart 100 and Australian Corporate Event of the Year. Creative Universe and Creative Innovation Global were ranked among the top 20 event organizers and agencies from around the world as part of the newly released Eventex All-Stars Index.

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Short Version:

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