SURFACE LEVEL

YOUR QUEER WOMEN'S PODCAST



DEAR GUEST,

IF YOU'RE READING THIS, IT'S BECAUSE I'D LOVE TO SHARE YOUR STORY.

THIS PODCAST EXISTS AS A SPACE TO EXPLORE IDENTITY, QUEERNESS, LOVE, GRIEF, MENTAL HEALTH, GROWTH, AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. IT WAS BORN FROM A DEEP DESIRE FOR CONVERSATIONS THAT GO BEYOND THE SURFACE, THE KIND THAT FEEL LIKE SITTING WITH A CLOSE FRIEND, SHARING SOMETHING REAL. EACH EPISODE IS AN OFFERING OF CONNECTION: HONEST, EMOTIONALLY INTELLIGENT, AND GROUNDED IN CARE.

OUR GUESTS SHAPE THE HEART OF THIS SHOW. YOU BRING YOUR STORIES, YOUR NUANCE, AND YOUR PERSPECTIVE. WE BRING WARMTH, STRUCTURE, AND DEEP LISTENING. TOGETHER, WE MAKE SOMETHING THAT REACHES PEOPLE; OFTEN AT MOMENTS WHEN THEY MOST NEED TO FEEL LESS ALONE.

THERE'S NO EXPECTATION TO HAVE IT ALL FIGURED OUT. JUST TO SHOW UP AS YOU ARE. YOU'LL BE GUIDED THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS, FROM PLANNING TO RECORDING, TO SHARING YOUR EPISODE WITH THE WORLD.

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING BEING PART OF THIS. YOUR VOICE MATTERS DEEPLY. WE CAN'T WAIT TO HEAR IT.

TESSA LLOYD
CREATOR + HOST OF LESS SURFACE LEVEL

THE DETAILS

• Title: Less Surface Level

• Host: Tessa Lloyd (she/her)

Location: Naarm/Melbourne, Australia

• Format: Weekly episodes via Spotify Vodcasts

• **Themes:** Queer identity, relationships, mental health, love, emotional resilience, personal growth

ABOUT THE PODCAST

Less Surface Level is a female-led, queer podcast that explores the inner worlds of LGBTQIA+ individuals, through honest, vulnerable, and moving conversations. Each episode is grounded in deep listening and emotional inquiry, offering insight into how queer people love, hurt, heal, and grow.

Past guests have included creatives, changemakers, ex-athletes, queer couples in business, and close friends of the host. Whether unpacking early imprints of love, the quiet rebellions of youth, or the nuances of identity, every episode is an invitation into the spaces beneath what we show the world.

As a queer woman and therapist, Tessa saw a need for a space where real, honest dialogue could happen around the things that truly impact us: identity, relationships, self-worth, emotional patterns, and healing. The podcast was born out of a desire to go deeper; to explore the messy, beautiful complexities of being human, especially through a queer lens.

ABOUT THE HOST





Tessa Lloyd is a queer Mental Health Occupational Therapist and podcast host, based in Victoria, Australia. She is the founder of Our Mindful Youth, a therapy practice supporting young people through creative and traumainformed approaches. Tessa supports neurodivergent and LGBTQIA+ individuals in living with greater authenticity and ease.

Tessa's advocacy focuses on creating community spaces that are inclusive, vulnerable, and emotionally honest. Her work extends beyond the therapy room into mentorship, workshops, and group circles designed to support self-worth, nervous system regulation, and self-expression.

Tessa brings both lived experience and professional insight to every episode, creating a space that's honest, reflective, and emotionally grounded.

TESTIMONIALS

the poddy with holly is AMAZING

genuinely the best one yet

so good

Tessa! Just wanted to reach out and let you know that I listened to your first podcast episode this arvo and loved it. You're such a beautiful communicator and a lot of what you said really resonated with me. Keep doing good things, you're killing it!

I'm sitting down with a wine to watch ep one this w/e can't wait (4) (4)

I've just listened to your first podcast episode. What a bloody gem you are. I'm so glad you came across my orbit. And I'm excited to see what else you have to share with us.

I'm loving the podcasts so much sweetheart. I'm stuck in bed recovering from a bad stomach infection so having your voice to listen to has felt like I'm not alone I'm listening to your first podcast and it is really speaking so clearly to me about allowing yourself to actually acknowledge that you have been hurt and working through that pain. I feel like thats so big in my life I have experienced so much trauma and never unpacked any of it. Or even allowed myself to see what happened to me for what it really is because its too dark. Great podcast xx

PAST GUESTS



Sophie Cachia CACHIA, Shaw Media, BODA



Kat John Life Coach, Author, Speaker



Natasha Fabrizi, MAFS participant, identity coach



India and Kristina Krithararis, "Scizza"



Julie McKenzie Sundaylicious owner



Erica Perry Queer Writer



Kirby Bentley Survivor, AFLW, Djookian Founder



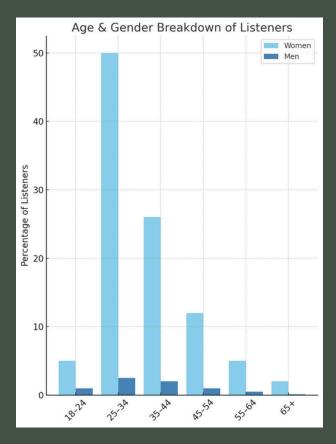
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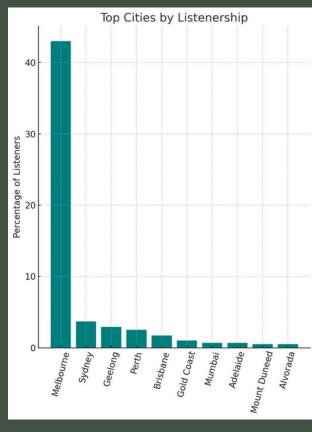


Charlotte Fresh Wife and lesbian IVF Mum

AUDIENCE SNAPSHOT

- Primarily queer-identifying listeners (WLW, trans, and non-binary inclusive)
- Predominantly women and gender-diverse people aged 18–40
- Based in Australia (73.6%) and America (16%)
- Passionate about queer community, emotional wellbeing, and authentic storytelling
- Loyal, reflective, and socially conscious audience





BEHIND THE SCENES



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THE GUEST EXPERIENCE

Being a guest on Less Surface Level is a relaxed and supportive experience. Conversations are recorded either remotely or in-studio and usually run for around 45–60 minutes. The format is guided but unscripted, allowing space for natural dialogue and genuine connection. You'll receive prep questions ahead of time, and the entire process is held with care; through a trauma-informed, emotionally aware lens. After recording, we'll keep you updated on the release schedule and share promo content, tagging you across our platforms to help amplify your voice and message. Many guests have shared that the experience feels like a heartfelt, affirming chat, one where they felt truly seen.

CONTACT + NEXT STEPS



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