JANINE SHEPHERD

Janine Shepherd, a renowned keynote speaker, has crafted and delivered numerous bespoke keynotes and leadership programs globally. Celebrated as the 'best ever' by clients, she consistently captivates audiences, earning standing ovations with her dynamic presentations.

The story of her journey from gifted athlete to paraplegic and her remarkable recovery —"If I can't walk, then maybe I can fly!"— engages Janine's audiences profoundly. Relating her true-life struggles gains listener respect and compassion, and Janine goes on to pass along her insights from this extraordinary journey to captivated listeners.

Janine takes her audiences on a roller-coaster ride of emotional, funny, and inspirational tales—many from her own life as well as borrowing from her intensive studies. Janine's TEDx talk is so compelling that TED.com made it the talk of the day and it's been viewed by millions worldwide. Clients rate her presentations as so engaging that they hardly notice the passage of her too-short time on stage.

"When we loosen our grip on the way we think our life is supposed to look, we discover a life filled with possibilities."

Janine Shepherd

Janine's work is science-based and proven, adding validation to her credibility as an educator and speaker. Janine is also willing to go the extra mile for every engagement: meet-greets, visiting local schools or non-profits in the community, book signings, and other interactive engagements that support her clients' desires.

Laughter, engagement, and even tears aside, Janine's keynotes conclude with a review of key takeaways that are easily understandable, leaving her audiences with a willingness to incorporate them into their work and home lives.

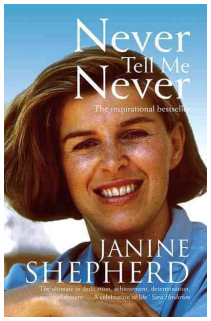
TESTIMONIALS & BOOKS

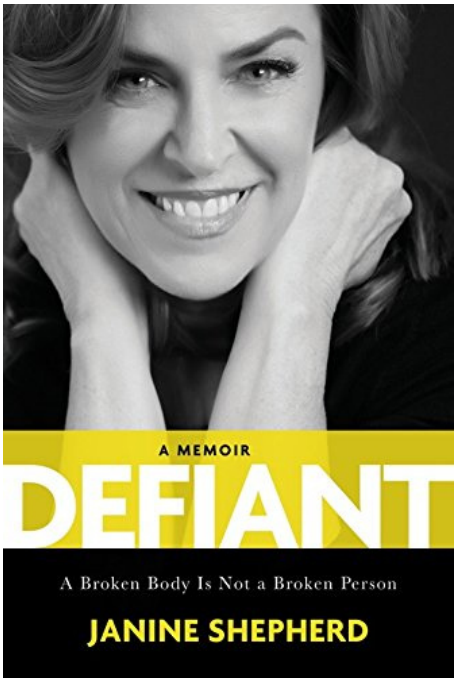
"Janine is a dynamo!...honesty, integrity and communication skills far above the ordinary."

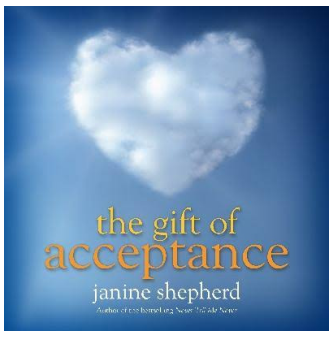
"...an incredible human being and a powerful speaker with a truly unique perspective on the world. (Our) future speakers have big shoes to fill!"

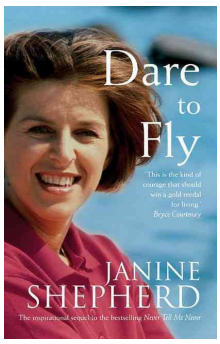
"Janine had the whole room enthralled - her story is undeniably epic, there were tears and laughter, and we loved every minute."

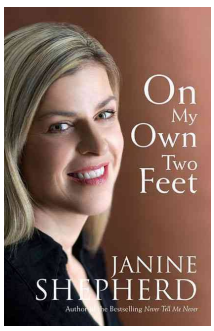
"Janine's story...needs to be shared with all who are intimidated by, or who are unwilling to confront the many life challenges of today."











BIOGRAPHY

Janine Shepherd, AM, embodies resilience and transformation. A former Australian cross-country skier on track for Olympic success, her aspirations were abruptly halted by a devastating accident with a truck during a training ride. Despite sustaining life-threatening injuries, Janine's spirit remained unbroken. Her remarkable recovery and pivot to becoming an accomplished aerobatics pilot and a celebrated author have inspired millions worldwide.

Janine's journey from near-tragic loss to triumphant rebirth has captured international attention and continues to motivate individuals worldwide, proving the indomitable strength of the human will.

Over the ensuing years, Janine embarked on a journey of recovery. Despite her status as a partial paraplegic, she defied expectations by learning to walk again and becoming a mother to three children. Within a year following her accident, Janine achieved her pilot's license, progressed to earn a commercial pilot's license, and furthered her expertise to become a certified aerobatics instructor. Her ground-breaking achievements include being appointed the first female director of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority.

Janine has authored six books. Her first, "Never Tell Me Never," was adapted into a successful telemovie. Her latest memoir, DEFIANT, is currently being adapted for screen. Janine is an ambassador for Spinal Cure Australia and was honoured as a Member of the Order of Australia in 2001 for her contributions to the community, her inspirational life, and her efforts to enhance awareness of spinal cord research.

She holds a Bachelor's degree in Human Movement/Education and is currently undertaking a PhD focusing her research on resilience, disability, and positive psychology.

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SUGGESTED INTRODUCTION OPTION 1

Janine Shepherd started as one of Australia's elite athletes, poised to represent her nation in the Winter Olympics. But life had other plans; a near-fatal accident forever altered her path.

Many might have seen this as an end, but it was a transformation for Janine. She rebuilt herself, journeying back from the brink in a tale of resilience that has inspired millions globally.

Her TEDx talk, 'A Broken Body is not a Broken Person' which has been viewed by millions worldwide, resonates with anyone who has faced adversity. An acclaimed author, her story has been adapted for the big screen, further extending its reach.

But Janine's impact doesn't stop there. She has been honoured with an Order of Australia and has left indelible marks on stages worldwide as a top motivational speaker.

Today, she's here to share her remarkable journey and inspire us to recognize our potential, even in the face of adversity. Ladies and gentlemen, I'm thrilled to introduce Janine Shepherd.

SUGGESTED INTRODUCTION OPTION 2

Janine Shepherd's story is that of the classic hero's journey. As national champion skier, Janine was one of Australia's best hopes in the Calgary Winter Olympics. But an accident while training cut short Janine's future as an athlete, and nearly ended her life. Paralyzed and in hospital for close to six months, she defied the medical odds by not only learning to walk again, but by creating anentirely new life in a most remarkable way.

Janine's life story has been featured on '60 minutes' and 'This is Your Life'. Her first book, "Never Tell Me Never," was made into a feature length film, and she has since written five other books including her recently-released memoir entitled "Defiant." Her TED talk, A Broken Body is not a Broken Person, has been viewed nearly 2 million times and continues to be featured as a favorite on TED.com.

Janine has been awarded her country's highest civilian acclaim, the Order of Australia, in recognition of her service to the Community and tireless work to raise awareness of Spinal Cord injury and research. She also serves as ambassador for Red Bull, Wings for Life, and Spinal Cure Australia. Today Janine is in demand as one of the world's top inspirational speakers, having presented her compelling story to leading organizations and companies around the globe. Her message of resilience and human potential continues to inspire her audiences to overcome adversity and take on life's challenges. Spiritual leader and best-selling author Deepak Chopra calls Janine a "change agent."

We are pleased to have her with us today, to share her extraordinary story with you. Ladies and gentlemen, please welcome Janine Shepherd.

A/V PREFERENCES

To ensure Janine's presentation at your event is a success, we require the following:

SETUP
LCD projector for PowerPoint Presentation
Screen
Power source and/or Extension Cord
Lavaliere Microphone, Lapel microphone or headset microphone
A wireless remote to advance the videos/PowerPoint slides
Chair in the middle of the stage

PRESENTATION
Janine will send videos and PowerPoint prior to the event via Hightail, and will also bring a flash drive with her presentation when she arrives at the venue.

ASSISTANCE
Janine typically travels alone and may require assistance at the venue. It is greatly appreciated if a volunteer could be assigned to assist her during her time with you. Expectations of the volunteer include:

If there are stairs up to the stage, Janine will require help after she is introduced. Assisting Janine with product sales (books). *This entails collecting the appropriate fee, distributing product, and providing the attendee with the receipt.

Due to the long distances Janine typically travels, she likes to arrive the day before the event and stay overnight after the event. This ensures she recovers and gives her very best performance for the event. Depending on the timing of her talk, she usually requires 1-2 nights accommodation.

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