

## **JAMIE OWEN**

Jamie Owen has been a leading figure in Welsh broadcasting for many years. He is best known as the face of 'BBC Wales Today' - the country's most watched news programme. The programme won the Royal Television Society Award for 'Best News Programme'. He also presents a daily radio talk show for BBC Radio Wales. He is also a successful author and has written four books with another in the pipeline.

Jamie's broadcasting experience is diverse and ranges from Songs of Praise (BBC 1) to the Breakfast News. His broadcasting career started in London in 1989 where he delivered the Shipping Forecast on BBC Radio Four. He went on to present the 'Six O'clock News' and 'Today in Parliament'.

Away from the microphone, Jamie is the co-founder of Aspect Television, one of Wales' largest independent programme makers for the UK networks BBC1 and BBC2. Their work includes the acclaimed programme 'What Ron Said', exploring football pundit Ron Atkinson on BBC 1; 'So What Do You Do All Day', a business series featuring Richard Branson, Raymond Blanc and Jacqueline Gold for BBC2 and a major television series on the monks of Calday Island.

Jamie is the author of four books - 'Magic Islands', a sailing voyage around the islands off Wales; 'Magic Harbours', travels around the country's ports (both by sailing boat); 'Welsh Journeys', which accompanied his BBC 2 series; and 'More Welsh Journeys'. His next book for Ebury Press in London will be published in 2009.

Jamie has also joined the BBC National Orchestra of Wales to narrate Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf for BBC Radio 3.

One of the most popular after dinner speakers in the UK, Jamie is known for his smooth delivery of extremely interesting, anecdotal speeches which are interspersed with clever, subtle humour.

Jamie is also in high demand to act as host of high profile events throughout Wales and the UK. His experience of broadcasting live every day on BBC Radio and delivering the news live on BBC Television at peak viewing times makes him the perfect choice to host, chair, compere or present any event.