



STAR 104.5'S RABBIT & JULIE GOODWIN TAKE OUT SILVER IN THE NEW YORK RADIO AWARDS

Star 104.5's Rabbit and Julie Goodwin breakfast show have won silver at the recent New York Festivals Radio Awards for their children's audio book entry *Bookcase Solves the Problem*.

After Rabbit shared his dream to voice the audio for a book, his co-host Julie revealed that her mother Marlene, had written a children's book for her and her siblings 35 years ago. Rabbit insisted the book be dragged out of a box in the garage, a place it had rested for decades, and produced into an audio book with the help of Star 104.5 listeners. The story was developed into a radio play and eight listeners from across the Central Coast were cast as characters in the story and Rabbit finally got his chance to be a narrator.

The final edit was turned it into a 15-minute audio book and the show's listeners were encouraged to play it to their children at bedtime. It was a such a big hit with the audience and presented itself as a natural fit for the *New York Radio Awards* "Best Children's Audio Book" category. The awards honour radio content in all lengths and formats and across all platforms from radio stations, networks and independent producers from around the globe. They aim to promote the exceptional and innovative content being created today on all continents and seen across all platforms.

Thirty-five countries entered the *New York Festivals Radio Awards*, with Marlene and the team delighted to initially be named a finalist in the top eight, before *Bookcase Solves the Problem* was awarded silver in the Best Children's Audiobook category last month.

The team at Star 104.5 along with Julie's mum Marlene were absolutely delighted that 'Bookcase Solves The Problem' not only brought joy to the Goodwin family growing up, but also to their listeners, as well as receiving international accolades.

Julie Goodwin said "It's been so thrilling for mum to have her book come to life like this. I am so proud of her and grateful to the team at Star and our listeners for being creative and proactive in making this come together."

Bookcase Solves The Problem can be seen and heard here

<https://www.facebook.com/rabbitandjuliegoodwin/videos/240327526909869/>

The making of the book can be seen here

<https://www.facebook.com/rabbitandjuliegoodwin/videos/369776526909684/>

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