

Eric Bana charms Australian Childhood Foundation supporters over lunch

29 July 2010: Eric Bana appeared completely unaffected by his A-grade actor status as he lunched with a group of Australian Childhood Foundation supporters recently at the Sofitel Melbourne On Collins' No35 restaurant.

The luncheon was donated for the live auction component of Melbourne's annual Eat Street charity event held in June 2010 at the hotel. Eric Bana personally donated the lunch and his attendance in his role as Patron for the Australian Childhood Foundation, the beneficiary of the funds raised at Eat Street. The Sofitel Melbourne on Collins donated the lunch at No35.

Rebecca O'Brien, the successful bidder, and four of her nearest and dearest enjoyed an exclusive lunch with the international actor where all things from football to film making, from pop culture to politics was energetically discussed.

"Far be it from me to give away any of Eric's trade secrets, or his favourite TV show, but suffice to say, it was one the most charming afternoons I have enjoyed in a very long time," said Rebecca.

Eat Street is an annual fundraising event featuring mini marquees from over 40 top restaurants, wineries and chefs, alongside top entertainment, celebrity appearances and high fashion. This year more than **\$150,000** was raised for the Australian Childhood Foundation.

"I hope Eric puts himself up again next year," said Rebecca. "I can see this gathering becoming an annual event in my social calendar!"