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## Melanie Vallejo to host Seven's all-new Formal Wars

There will be tears, tantrums and triumphs as a group of Aussie teens prepare for the biggest night of their lives, the high school formal, in Seven's new reality show *Formal Wars*.

Channel Seven today announced *Winners & Losers*' star Melanie Vallejo as the host of the new reality show, *Formal Wars*, in which a group of high school students hand control of their high school formal to their parents.

What's more important to a high school student than the school formal? Nothing! It's the biggest social event on their calendar, the Cinderella moment when they're transformed from a gawky teen to the glamorous adult they're destined to become. But will the fairytale turn into a nightmare when all control is taken away?

Each week *Formal Wars* sees two high school students receive \$2000 towards the cost of their school formal. But there is a catch: if they accept the money then all the decisions are taken out of their hands and their parents take charge. Mum and dad will decide what they wear, who they take as their date and even how they're transported to the event.

But will these modern-day Fairy Godmothers and Fathers get it right? How well do they know their own children? And whose taste will rule? Relationships and trust will be put to the test as emotions run high and expectations soar.

Host Melanie Vallejo – best known for playing Sophie Wong in Seven's hit drama *Winners & Losers* – said she was thrilled to take on the new role.

"It's been so much fun hosting this show, and seeing how these kids react," Melanie said.

"This is the biggest event in their lives and they have very strong views about what they want and how they want to look, the turmoil created when we hand control over to their parents is hilarious and at times surprisingly heartwarming."

*Formal Wars* is a Matchbox Pictures Production and is coming soon to Seven.

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