## REPRESENTING THE ARTIST



## **CONSTRUCTION OF CELEBRITY**

## Celebrities as signs

Paul Kelly isn't the only celebrity in this film. The interviewees include many different celebrities who know Paul professionally and personally. Each of the celebrities is like a sign. For example if a writer talks about Paul Kelly's lyrics as stories then the kind of authority that person has, endorses Paul Kelly as a writer.

Think about the celebrities and what they say – how does their status validate the point of view being shared?

Celebrity	Celebrity's audience	Comment	What attitude to Paul Kelly does this celebrity convey?	How does the celebrity status affect the audience?
Renee Geyer	Soul singer from 1970's attracts a Baby Boomer audience			
Richard Flanagan	Mainstream Australian novelist who appeals to an educated well read audience			
Fiona McGregor	Australian novelist and performance artist attracts people interested in experimental art which at times has been confronting.			
Archie Roach	A child of the stolen generations, as a singer, songwriter and guitarist, he is a powerful voice for Aboriginal Australians. His career was helped along by Paul Kelly.			
Megan Washington				
Rachel Perkins				
Kasey Chambers				
Any others you wish to add				