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Mirabel Patron

Actor and entertainer, Shane Jacobson, admits he’s not really a man of faith. But he does believe Mirabel founder, Jane Rowe, deserves at least minor deity status.

Shane met Jane two decades ago, long before he was one of Australia’s most popular celebrities. Back then, he was a hopeful actor who spent most of his time as a lighting and design producer for live music and theatre. In his work he’d seen first-hand the dark side of drug use. He offered his services to Mirabel, but Jane had other ideas. She suggested he needed to be in amongst the Mirabel kids to help establish Mirabel’s Recreation Program. Shane found himself in the thick of the action taking kids on camps, mentoring others and visiting homes to support Mirabel aunties, uncles and grandparents.

His career trajectory and having kids of his own means Shane is now more of a cheerleader for Mirabel, but he’s still passionate to help where he can.

‘I have been so moved and affected by the Mirabel people I have met,’ he said. ‘Mirabel is so bespoke and unique and caters for such an important corner of society, left unprotected and unnurtured. It’s the toughest job in the world. Mirabel will always be dear and close to my heart.’

‘The terrible news is that there will never be a time in society when something like Mirabel is not required, but the great news is that Mirabel is here, doing its amazing work.’

