## **Rebecca Jones Biography**

Rebecca Jones was the BBC's Arts Correspondent for more than two decades, interviewing leading figures including Tom Hanks, Sir Paul McCartney and Dame Hilary Mantel, as well as a Chief News Presenter on BBC1, BBC2, BBC World and the BBC News Channel. She also presented the viewer feedback programme Newswatch, the television books programmes Meet the Author and Talking Books as well as Radio 4's PM programme. She has judged arts awards including Museum of the Year, the Costa Book Awards and the British Book Awards and regularly hosts public events at organisations including the Cheltenham and Hay Literature Festivals, the Royal Opera House and the Old Vic. She has served on the Board of the Birmingham Royal Ballet and is a former Trustee of The Barber Institute of Fine Arts.