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Bruce Guthrie began his media career as a copyboy at *The Herald* in Melbourne in 1971. After completing a cadetship, he worked in a variety of reporting roles for the paper until 1985, when he was appointed US west coast correspondent for the *Herald and Weekly Times*, based in Los Angeles. In 1987 he returned to Australia and became deputy editor of *The Herald*, moving on two years later to help launch *The Sunday Age*. He was appointed editor of that paper in 1992 and editor of *The Age* in 1995. He joined Time Inc. as a senior editor at *People* magazine in New York in 1998, and became editor of *Who Weekly* a year later. In 2004, he returned to News Limited to become editor of *The Weekend Australian Magazine* and to launch *The Australian's* monthly magazine *Wish*. He was appointed editor-in-chief of the *Herald Sun*, Australia's largest selling daily newspaper, in February 2007—a role he filled until his dramatic and unexpected exit in November 2008.

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