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Cultural warning: This booklet includes names of people that may cause sadness and distress to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples'



The WA Women's Hall of Fame acknowledges Aboriginal people as the traditional custodians of these lands, their unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas, and rich contribution to Western Australia.

Our purpose is to recognise and celebrate the social, economic, historical, scientific, cultural, and political achievements of women, who have helped to build this great State.

Thank you to all our valued sponsors and partners, without their support the WA Women's Hall of Fame 2022 would not be possible.

We are delighted to introduce you to the 2022 WA Women's Hall of Fame Inductees.

Fiona Reid
Chair
WA Women's Hall of Fame.

2022 INDUCTEES

Arts	Maggie Wilde West
Arts	Louise Howden-Smith OAM
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Sport	Eunice Yu
STEM	Dr. Paola Magni
STEM	Professor Britta Regli-von Ungern-Sternberg
Roll of Honour	May O'Brien
Roll of Honour	Grace Vaughan
Roll of Honour	Marjorie Charleson
Roll of Honour	Dr. Dorothea Parker



Hon Simone McGurk MLA
Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests;
Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services

As the Minister for Women's Interests, I'm proud to support the WA Women's Hall of Fame. The WA Women's Hall of Fame has played a key role in elevating the dialogue around women's achievements in Western Australia since its inaugural year in 2011, by showcasing women in our community, honouring their achievements and demonstrating the power of role models.

Since that time, we've celebrated Elders, teachers, carers, businesswomen and trailblazers, as well as those who have fought for equal rights and equal opportunity.

These women are powerful role-models for women and girls in our community and have rightfully earned our admiration. They motivate us, advocate for those in need and encourage us all to do better and to strive for excellence.

By supporting women and girls to achieve in their chosen fields, we can build a stronger, more inclusive and prosperous State. The WA Women's Hall of Fame plays an important part in this goal by recognising and celebrating women's achievements.

During International Women's Day, it's an important time to not only reflect on the ground we have made in creating equality for women, but also on what work lies before us. With the opportunities we experience in Western Australia, every girl and woman should be able to reach her potential and achieve her aspirations.

By acknowledging the contributions of the inductees to our State and shining a spotlight on their achievements, we are creating a vehicle for change.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Simone McGurk'.

HON SIMONE MCGURK MLA
MINISTER FOR CHILD PROTECTION; WOMEN'S INTERESTS;
PREVENTION OF FAMILY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE; COMMUNITY SERVICES

Maggie Wilde West

Executive Director, Vocal Ensemble Voiceworks

Maggie's contribution to the Performing Arts and community spans more than half a century. She has been acting, directing, writing, teaching, and creating theatrical performances for communities throughout WA, and Australia. She is a pioneer and tireless advocate for the inclusion of people with disabilities in the performing arts.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Louise Howden-Smith OAM

Arts Advocate

Louise Howden-Smith is a trailblazer in arts, education, and culture, where she has had a long and distinguished career including Director of the West Australian Craft Council, and Executive Director of the WA Ballet Company for 11-years. Her commitment for the arts, in all forms, has ensured that WA artisans enjoy the prominence they deserve.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Amanda Healy

Director, CEO, Business

Amanda is from the Wonnarua Nation, and as with many First Nations peoples', Amanda has broad connections across the country. She has more than 35 years' experience in the mining industry, both in Australia, and internationally. She has founded two Indigenous engineering companies, and developed Kirrikin, to support Aboriginal artists.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Emma Hanh Ma

Businesswoman, Entrepreneur, Pharmacist & Philanthropist

Emma Hanh Ma was born in Vietnam and came to Australia with her parents and younger brother when she was 5 years old. From coming to Australia as a refugee, Emma has developed herself into a highly educated professional, an award-winning businesswoman, and philanthropist, who is a role model for other Asian women.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Nihal Iscel

Human Rights Activist

Since migrating to Australia from Turkey, Nihal has been a fierce activist for human rights and disability issues within the community. She procured a Bachelor of Psychology from ECU and uses her skills to set new milestones in the CaLD and disability community support sectors.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Theadosia Kurniawan

Founder, Engineer & Community Leader

Thea Kurniawan has been involved in the community from a young age. Indonesian born, Thea attended university in Perth, where she is a part of Millennium Kids Inc, a youth-led environmental advocacy group and World Without Waste workshops around Perth. In 2016, she founded TED X UWA, WA's only fully student-run TED talk organisation.

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Shannon McGuire

Co-Founder Miss NAIDOC Perth

Shannon is a co-founder of the Miss NAIDOC Perth Empowerment and Leadership program which was reinstated after 20 years as a program for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women in Perth. Miss NAIDOC Perth has grown beyond expectations because of Shannon's leadership and vision.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Dr Nonja Peters

Author & Historian

Nonja is an historian, anthropologist, museum curator and social researcher whose expertise is transnational migration (forced and voluntary) and resettlement in Australia. Her achievements and dedication towards raising awareness of the post-war migration experience from 1945 and preserving migrant's cultural heritage, have earned her wide acclaim.

Photographer: www.patricianausta.nl

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Professor Donna Cross

Educator & Child Health Researcher

Professor Donna Cross is a highly accomplished WA academic, and a strong advocate for children and vulnerable young people and their families' safety and wellbeing, fostered for more than three-decades during her extensive career as an educator and children's health promotion researcher.

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Karen Anderson

Psychotherapist Educator

Karen is a teacher, psychotherapist and academic who has dedicated her life to fostering excellence in the psychosocial training and support of oncology and palliative care health professionals in WA and internationally. Her contributions have been diverse but always underpinned by her quiet determination, and fearless advocacy for compassionate responses to people who are in crisis.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Carol Martin

Health Professional

Carol Martin was the first Indigenous women elected to an Australian Parliament, representing the Labor Party as the MP for Kimberley (2001-13). During her term as an MP Carol was noted for her commitment to improving the lives of Indigenous people in general, and their access to health services.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Janinne Gliddon

Health Professional

Janinne is a proud Badimia Yamatji nyarlu (woman) and Ballardong – Noongar orga who has dedicated more than 30 years of her professional life to addressing gaps in the health care sector for First Nations peoples' and communities in urban areas. Janinne initiated and manages Australia's first hospital-based Aboriginal Volunteer Program, which focuses on supporting Aboriginal birthing mothers.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Lyn Foreman OAM

Athletics Coach

Lyn has dedicated her life to developing excellence in the coaching of our state, national and international athletes. It is her life mission to challenge and extend the understandings of the sporting institutions, their methods, and policy on how to get the very best out of young aspirant athletes.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

Sport category



Eunice Yu

Sports Volunteer

Eunice is a proud Yawuru and Bunuba woman who was born and raised in Broome. She is actively involved in the community with sport, arts and culture and has volunteered for over 30 years. She has worked tirelessly to promote and develop the sport of football and basketball and serves as the current President of the Broome Basketball Association.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

Sport category



Dr Paola Magni

Forensic Scientist

Dr Paola Magni is a world-renowned crime scene investigator, researcher and senior lecturer who has put WA on the map as a centre of global excellence in forensic science. Using nature to solve the most puzzling of murders and suspicious deaths, Paola is one of only about 120 female forensic entomologist in the world and a one of a kind aquatic forensic expert.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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Professor Britta Regli-von Ungern-Sternberg

Paediatric Anaesthesia

Britta is a Consultant Paediatric Anaesthetist at Perth Children's Hospital, the Chair of Paediatric Anaesthesia at The University of Western Australia and Team Leader of Perioperative Medicine at Telethon Kids Institute. She has gained global recognition as a research leader, and is the first, and only Chair of Paediatric Anaesthesia in Australasia.

Photographer: Karen Wheatland

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