

CLW Leadership Achievement Award

Information & Application

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The Centre for Leadership for Women (CLW) was launched in August 2000 with a vision to empower women to believe in their own unique leadership qualities. Its Mission is to do this by empowering women to recognise their own potential to be leaders; to learn from the experiences of leaders, both female and male; undertake self-evaluation; be able to express their personal and professional concerns in relation to their leadership development; and become informed about current leading issues and leadership resources.

The Centre has a national membership with links to leading women's organisations. It is a part of the National Library of Australia's PANDORA (Preserving and Accessing Networked Documentary Resources of Australia) Archive. It boasts interviews with more than 40 national and international leaders and has 10 areas associated with leadership development including a section, entitled, *Leadership in Action* and *Leadership Theory*. The *CLW Leading Issues Journal* has the following International Standard Serial Number: ISSN 1445-8721

The CLW Leadership Achievement Award Program

The CLW Leadership Achievement Award has been established to recognise women in the community who use their own initiative to create and implement projects for the benefit of the community and in collaboration with the community. These individuals are recognised by CLW as Self-Appointed Leaders.

A number of individuals who are leaders in their field have been invited to form a Panel of Judges who will take part in the Program to work with the Founder of CLW to evaluate applications and select the winning entries.

The Leadership Achievement Award is open to all Australian women 18 years and above. There is no fee for entry.

The Award will be run each year and will encompass achievements by the Entrants for the year prior to the Award and up to the closing date for the Award. Commercial Sponsorship for the Award will be used to raise funding for the prize money for the winner, as well as for other complimentary rewards.

SELECTION CRITERIA

A "Self-appointed leader" is defined in this Program as someone who has taken it upon themselves to define a vision and implement it in collaboration with others. The vision could have, for the duration of the project, remained as the Self-appointed leader's vision or it could have been developed into a shared vision, through the individual's collaboration with members of that particular community.

The 2006 CLW Leadership Achievement Award recipient must demonstrate all of the following:

- A leadership achievement that was undertaken in 2004 or before September 2005 in the form of a project that has a beginning, middle and, end or continuing stage
- The project was designed on the whole for the benefit of the community.
- The recipient must have been the main co-ordinator of the implementation of the project.
- The recipient did not undertake the project as part of their working role or for their workplace, but may have used the skills and knowledge gained in their life experiences/roles and or career to create and implement the project.
- The project provided a demonstrable positive impact on the community of people and was well received in general and by key members of the particular group it was connected with.
- The project has the potential to be replicated at one of these levels: local, regional or national.

ELIGIBILITY

- Sex: Female
- Age: 18 or older
- Nationality: Australian
- Educational Qualifications are not necessary for an entrant to apply
- Need not necessarily have been employed in a workplace or be currently employed

AWARD

- The Winner, Finalists and the Short-listed Applicants will be announced at CLW on 22 May 2006 and a press release will be issued to the media and key leadership organisations in Australia.
- The winner of the Leadership Achievement Award will receive: a CLW Leadership Achievement Award Certificate, publication of their profile in CLW's *Leading Issues Journal*; an Honorary Membership for CLW for 4 years and a prize of \$500.
- The two Finalists will receive: a complimentary CLW Membership for a year; publication of their profile in CLW's *Leading Issues Journal* and a 3 month Opal Membership to Fernwood Women's Health Clubs.
- The three Short-listed Applicants will receive: a complimentary CLW Membership for a year.
- The Awards will be issued to all the winners by Post on 22 May 2006.

Sponsors

The CLW 2006 Leadership Achievement Award is sponsored by Fernwood Women's Health Clubs, motherInc.com.au – The online glossy magazine for modern mums – and Living Now Magazine.



APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND PROCEDURES

To be considered for a CLW Leadership Achievement Award for 2006, a candidate must complete an application form and submit it along with 2 letters from individuals who benefited directly from the Project, as well as a certified copy of a Birth Certificate or Australian Citizenship Certificate. The letters from the individuals who benefited from the Project must include their contact details.

All eligible applications will be evaluated by Diann Rodgers-Healey, Founder of CLW who will select 6 applications for the Leadership Achievement Award Short-list. The Short-listed applications will then be evaluated by the Leadership Achievement Award Panel of Judges who will then select three Finalists. Further evaluation of the three Finalists' applications will then be undertaken by Diann Rodgers-Healey in the form of telephone interviews of the candidates and their referees. Requests for further written information may be made at this point. After a review of all of these findings, the Panel together with Diann Rodgers-Healey will select the winner of the CLW Leadership Achievement Award for 2006.

Any individual, who works for CLW or is on the Leadership Achievement Award Panel or is a relative of any such persons, will not be eligible for an award under this program.

Mail applications to:

2006 CLW Leadership Achievement Award
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or e-mail: diann@leadershipforwomen.com.au

Entries Open: 1 September 2005

Entries Close: 22 December 2005

To be eligible, your entry must be either postmarked or submitted online no later than Thursday 22 December 2005. Extensions cannot be granted.

2006 Leadership Achievement Award's Panel of Judges

- Dr Jocelyne Scutt, Barrister & Executive Producer, Former Anti-Discrimination Commissioner of Tasmania & Executive Producer
- Dr Shirley Randell AM United Nations Project Implementation Specialist for the Capacity Building for Gender Mainstreaming Project in Bangladesh
- Dr Lynette Dumble, Founder and Director of Global Sisterhood Network
- Carmelita Steinke, Director 2VoxFM, Radio & Media Specialist
- Carolyn Leigh, Senior Project Manager, Communities Division, NSW Department of Community Services