



2020 **WOMEN OF DISTINCTION** *awards*

The St Mary's Old Girls' Association *Women of Distinction* Awards recognise and celebrate the exceptional achievements and contributions of former students to their profession and community.

The Awards were established in 2010 as part of the OGA's 85th Anniversary Celebrations and are awarded every 5 years to coincide with the OGA's anniversaries. The OGA hopes the *Women of Distinction* Awards will motivate and inspire future generations of women to strive for excellence, become role models and make positive contributions to their community.

The Awards are part of the OGA's *Women of Distinction* program, which also includes Old Girl to Old Girl Mentoring and Maroon Connect events. The aim of the program is to foster opportunities for St Mary's Old Girls to develop meaningful learning and career networks, and encourage a lifetime approach to excellence and contribution to society.

The Old Girls' Association is now seeking nominations for the 2020 St Mary's *Women of Distinction* Awards in the following categories:

- *Woman of Distinction* - Career
- *Woman of Distinction* - Community
- *Young Woman of Distinction* (18-30 years)

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS 3 JANUARY 2020

AWARD CRITERIA

Woman of Distinction – Career

The *Woman of Distinction* – Career Award acknowledges an Old Girl who has achieved significant success in her chosen career.

Nominations should address the following:

- information on the nominee's outstanding achievements to date, providing detailed information on the nominee's most significant career achievements
- information on how the nominee has achieved sustained success over the course of her career
- information on any challenges the nominee has faced and overcome to achieve success
- the nominee's personal interests and involvement in the wider community
- information on the nominee's contributions to her professional associations and involvement in mentoring

Please also provide:

- a current professional resume
- if available, samples of relevant press articles, awards, certificates, photos etc.

Woman of Distinction – Community

The *Woman of Distinction* – Community Award acknowledges an Old Girl who has substantially improved the quality of life for members of her community beyond that expected in their usual occupation.

Nominations should address the following:

- how the nominee has made a significant contribution to her community, including outstanding achievements, initiative, leadership and commitment in her endeavours
- who has benefited from the contribution of the nominee and any challenges the nominee has faced and overcome

Please also provide:

- if available, samples of relevant press articles, awards, certificates, photos etc.

Young Woman of Distinction

The *Young Woman of Distinction* Award acknowledges an Old Girl who has demonstrated outstanding initiative and drive in her chosen field. Nominees should demonstrate a focus on leadership, professional commitment and personal achievements such as community service and other personal contributions. The nominee should be aged 30 years or younger as at Friday 3 January 2020.

Nominations should address the following:

- why the nominee has made significant achievements for her age
- the most challenging project the nominee has undertaken
- details of any industry or professional development the nominee has completed or is currently undertaking. Please include details of any forums or professional associations the nominee is a member of, and/or any mentoring the nominee is undertaking or has undertaken
- a brief description of the nominee's career goals and her plans to achieve them.

Please also provide:

- a current professional resume
- if available, samples of relevant press articles, awards, certificates, photos etc.

**The nominee must have graduated from, or completed her schooling at St Mary's Anglican Girls' School or St Mary's Church of England Girls' School and be a Life Member of the Old Girls' Association.*

To read more about the 2015 winners please visit www.stmarys.wa.edu.au/women-distinction-2015

WOMEN OF DISTINCTION WINNERS AND FINALISTS

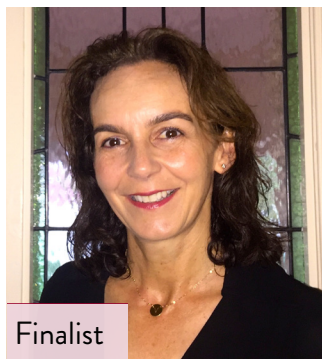
Woman of Distinction – Career

2010



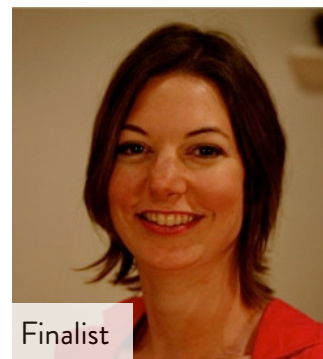
Winner

Elizabeth Carr ('81)
Board Director



Finalist

Virginia Christie ('84)
Economist



Finalist

Claire Hick (Wilhelm '92)
Engineer

2015



Winner

Fiona Harris ('77)
Non-Executive Director



Finalist

Jessica Gethin (Walker '97)
Conductor



Finalist

Tresslyn Walmsley (Smith '89)
Chief Executive Officer

Woman of Distinction – Community

2010



Winner

Helen Bolton ('76)
Speech Pathologist



Finalist

Gloria Burnett (Pethick '69)
Community Volunteer



Finalist

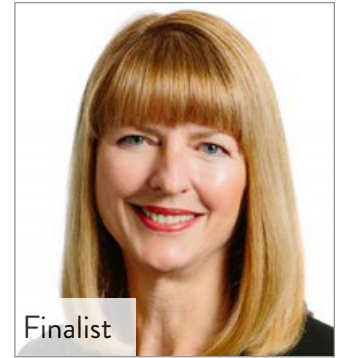
Deborah Parker ('29)
Nurse



Winner
Karen Chappel (King '75)
 Rural Community Advocate



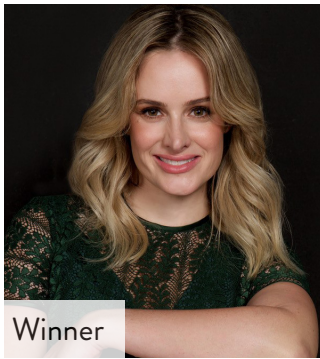
Finalist
Valma Cearns (Davies '51)
 Disability Advocate



Finalist
Dana Hlavacek ('79)
 Non-Executive Director and
 Volunteer

Young Woman of Distinction

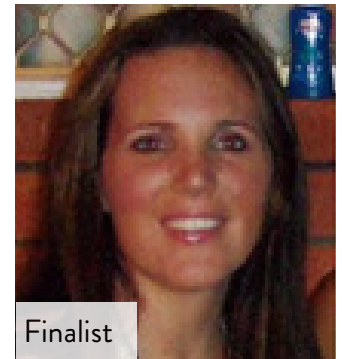
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Winner
Nikki Stamp ('98)
 Cardiothoracic Surgeon



Finalist
Christine Hamilton-Prime ('08)
 Councillor

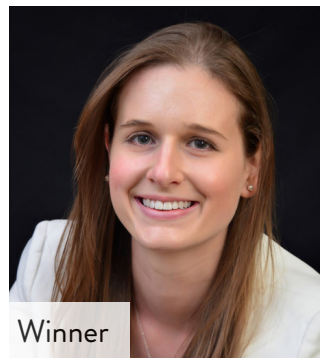


Finalist
Millie Johnston ('01)
 Community Advocate

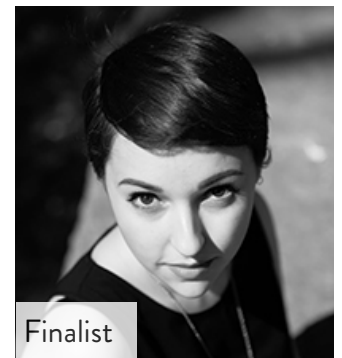
2015



Winner
Kirsty Kuo (Newton '01)
 Scientist and Vibration
 Engineer



Winner
Natasha Pritchard ('07)
 Obstetrician-Gynaecologist



Finalist
Rebecca Smith ('06)
 Composer and Musician

To read more about the 2015 winners please visit www.stmarys.wa.edu.au/women-distinction-2015

Further information can be obtained from:
 Amanda Kemp, Alumnae Relations Officer, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School
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2020 WOMEN OF DISTINCTION NOMINATION FORM

NOMINEE

Category of Nomination: ☐ Career ☐ Community ☐ Young

Full name			
Maiden Name		Peer Year/Years at St Mary's	
Mailing Address			
Telephone		Email	

**The nominee must have graduated from, or completed her schooling at St Mary's Anglican Girls' School or St Mary's Church of England Girls' School and be a Life Member of the Old Girls' Association.*

NOMINATOR

☐ As above or

Full name			
Maiden Name		Peer Year/Years at St Mary's	
Mailing Address			
Telephone		Email	
Signature			

REFEREES

Please also provide the name and contact details of two referees who are able to comment on the nominee. They do not need to be an Old Girl of St Mary's.

REFEREE 1			
Full name			
Maiden Name		Peer Year/Years at St Mary's	
Mailing Address			
Telephone		Email	

REFEREE 2			
Full name			
Maiden Name		Peer Year/Years at St Mary's	
Mailing Address			
Telephone		Email	

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Please address the award criteria in a separate document and enclose this with your Nomination Form. The nomination should include

- Nomination Form
- A current professional resume, where requested in the criteria
- A written statement addressing the criteria (no more than 1000 words) and why the nominee deserves to be recognised
- Where available, supporting documents such as awards, press articles, photos etc.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominees for the *Woman of Distinction* Awards must be:

- a former student of St Mary's Anglican Girls' School or St Mary's Church of England Girls' School who has graduated from, or completed her schooling, at either school
- a Life Member of the Old Girls' Association.

Nominations for the 2020 *Women of Distinction* Awards must:

- be submitted using the 2020 *Women of Distinction* Nomination Form which can also be found at www.stmarys.wa.edu.au/women-of-distinction
- address the 2020 *Women of Distinction* Criteria as outlined for each Award, which can be found at www.stmarys.wa.edu.au/women-of-distinction
- be submitted by Friday 3 January 2020.

Self-nomination and third party nominations are invited. Please ensure that the *Women of Distinction* Nomination Form has been completed and all required documentation is included. Submissions must be complete to be considered.

As nominations may be made by a third party and will require a brief history of the nominee, nominations are not confidential. Third party nominations can be from anyone in the community. Additional information (including approval to be nominated) may be sought from the nominee. The OGA reserves the right to disclose the name of the nominator to the nominee.

Closing Date

Entries close at 5.00pm on Friday 3 January 2020.

Nominations should be sent to

St Mary's Old Girls' Association *Women of Distinction* Awards
PO Box 105 Karrinyup WA 6921
Fax +61 8 9341 9222 or Email oga@stmarys.wa.edu.au

Judging

The judging panel consists of the OGA President, OGA Patrons and School Principal. The judges reserve the right not to make an award in a particular category, if, in their opinion, there is not a nominee of sufficient merit.

Award Presentation

The winners of the three awards will be announced at the St Mary's Anglican Girls' School's Old Girls' Day in March/April 2020. Nominees will be invited to attend this event. Award winners will be presented with a gift recognising their outstanding achievement.

Reproduction of Entry Information

The OGA may use any of the information supplied with the entry, including images, for reproduction in School and OGA publications such as *Fideliter*, the School and Old Girls' websites, the Old Girls' E-newsletter, social media platforms and in media releases and other promotional material.

Contact Information

Further information can be obtained from

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