



2025 Women of Distinction Awards

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 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.

Award Categories

Old Girls can be recognised across three categories. They are:

CAREER

For Old Girls who has achieved significant success in her chosen career.

COMMUNITY

For Old Girls who has substantially improved the quality of life for members of her community beyond that expected in their usual occupation.

YOUNG

Demonstrating outstanding initiative and drive in her chosen field. Nominees demonstrate a focus on leadership, professional commitment and personal achievements such as community service and other personal contributions.

The nominee must be aged 30 years or younger as at 1 January, 2025.

CAREER

Acknowledging an Old Girl who has achieved significant success in her chosen career.

Nominations should address the following in their written statement:

- information on the nominee's 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 their 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 their professional associations and involvement in mentoring, if applicable

Please also provide

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

COMMUNITY

Acknowledging an Old Girl who has substantially improved the quality of life for members of their community beyond that expected in their usual occupation.

Nominations should address the following in their written statement:

- 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
- any challenges the nominee has faced and overcome

Please also provide:

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

YOUNG

Acknowledging an Old Girl who has demonstrated outstanding initiative and drive in their chosen field.

Nominations should address the following in their written statement:

- 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

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:

Nominees for the Woman of Distinction Awards must be an:

- Old Girl
- Life Member of the Old Girls' Association

If you are unsure if you are a Life Member of the OGA, please contact our Alumni Coordinator

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Nominations are to be submitted online. Please visit the below link to apply:

<https://www.stmarys.wa.edu.au/old-girls/old-girl-scholarships-awards/>

CLOSING DATE

Entries close at 5.00pm, Monday 2 June, 2025.

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 PRESENTATIONS

The winners of the three awards will be announced at the Old Girls' Centenary Dinner on Saturday 26 July 2025.

Award winners will be presented with a gift recognising their outstanding achievement.

MORE INFORMATION

Further information can be obtained from Lucy Wiseman, Alumni Relations Coordinator, (08) 9341 9132 or oga@stmarys.wa.edu.au