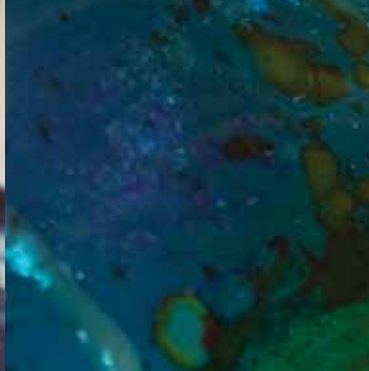




Women of the West Award 2012



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Dr Helen Sommerville
Winner 2011
UWS Women of the
West Award



Hanan Dover
Highly Commended 2011
UWS Women of the
West Award



Debbie Roberts
Highly Commended 2011
UWS Women of the
West Award



Najeeba Wazefadost
Winner 2011
UWS Young Women
of the West Award

The University of Western Sydney's (UWS) Women of the West Award honours women in Greater Western Sydney and formally recognises their contribution to the development of the region.

Now in its eighth year, the Award continues to grow and succeeds in showcasing the diversity and strength of women in Greater Western Sydney.

You are invited to join the University in showing your regard and gratitude to a colleague, friend, acquaintance or family member by nominating them for the 2012 Women of the West Award. This is an opportunity to publicly recognise the remarkable achievements of a woman from your profession, community, or network.

Winner of the inaugural Women of the West Award, Sister Mary-Louise Petro said:

'Being the 2005 Woman of the West has strengthened my profile in our local community. I have been able to use my Award standing to be an advocate for the women of this area and I have been welcomed into the University family'.

Professor Janice Reid, Vice-Chancellor of UWS said the Award provides a valuable connection between UWS and the women of Greater Western Sydney.

'It's a great pleasure to involve recipients of the Award in UWS life and to demonstrate our appreciation to those very dedicated and extraordinary women who make our community a better place to live'.

Award Categories

There are two categories in the Women of the West Award program:

- Women of the West
- Young Women of the West (aged 18-28 years)

The Award Criteria

Each year members of the Greater Western Sydney community are invited to nominate women who:

- **Live and/or work in Greater Western Sydney**
- **Demonstrate leadership**
- **Contribute to improving the lives of people in Greater Western Sydney**

The above criteria applies for both categories. To qualify for the Young Women of the West Award, the nominee must be aged 18-28 years.

Women holding senior State or Federal Government roles are ineligible to be nominated.

Nominees are not eligible for resubmission for a period of three years.

Submitting a Nomination

The official nomination form must be completed and must accompany every nomination submission.

Nomination material must also include:

- Nominator's Statement of Support that addresses the criteria and demonstrates achievements and contributions by the nominee, in the last five years (maximum of 3 pages).
- Documentary evidence supporting the nomination, eg, testimonials, prizes and awards received, media coverage, publications, reports demonstrating outcomes of initiatives (maximum of 10 pages).
- Two written references in support of the nomination – one personal and one professional.

Nominations should be sent to the address on the nomination form by close of business Friday 16 December 2011.

The Winner will be publicly announced at the UWS International Women's Day celebration in March 2012.

For assistance in preparing nominations or for more information, please contact:

Michelle Dickson – Office of Public Affairs
Phone: 02 9678 7512
Email: m.dickson@uws.edu.au

Nomination Form

Please indicate award category (tick one only)

Women of the West OR Young Women of the West (18-28 years)

Nominee's name

Address

Telephone

Email

Title/position

Organisation

Nominator's name

Address

Telephone

Email

Relationship of nominator to the nominee

Nomination Form

Referee 1 – personal

Name

Address

Telephone

Email

Referee 2 – professional

Name

Address

Telephone

Email

Signature of person making this nomination

Date

Please return your completed form by close of business Friday 16 December 2011 to:

UWS Women of the West Award
Office of Public Affairs
University of Western Sydney
Locked Bag 1797
Penrith NSW 2751