



"I know that there are vast numbers of men who support woman and huge numbers of women who want more so together lets create the mother of all paradigm shifts."

Jenny Morris

A FEW WORDS

Message from the Premier & Ministers

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the first Australian Women in Music Awards.

We're proud that Queensland is the inaugural home to this phenomenal program. The Queensland Government is committed to promoting the work of women in all fields, including the arts, and positions of leadership.

We have pledged to appoint 50 per cent women to government boards by 2020, because we know that companies that appoint more women do better.

Australian women contribute a great deal to the country's contemporary music industry, and yet only one in five registered songwriters and composers in our nation are women. Women also represent almost half of all Australians with a music qualification, and yet hold only one in four senior roles in our key music industry organisations. That's why events like this are crucial, in order to highlight the achievements of women in a variety of roles both on stage and behind the scenes.

The Queensland Government is committed to supporting the arts and nurturing our State's creative talent, we have invested in initiatives to showcase the work of female musicians such as the Carol Lloyd Award, which was established with Queensland Government support to nurture emerging singer-songwriters. Our industry leaders and music educators also work to develop female musicians through mentoring, scholarships and industry collaborations.

The Queensland Government is proud to sponsor this inaugural awards program, and we applaud AWMA Founding Director and Executive Producer, Vicki Gordon, for bringing it to life.

Thank you for joining us in Brisbane to celebrate, promote and encourage Australian women in music as they share their gifts, follow their dreams and wow the world.

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Message From ANMA Founding Director Executive Producer



VICKI GORDON

This evening we will make Australian music history.

The inaugural Australian Women in Music Awards is the result of many voices and many visions coming together, all of whom refuse to allow women's contribution in the Australian Music Industry to be sidelined any longer.

Tonight we celebrate a remarkable group of women across all areas of music making - in technical and production areas, touring, management, publishing, cross-cultural development, music education, music photography, humanitarian work, leadership, song-writing, performance and more. We induct Helen Reddy into our inaugural Honor roll and we remember those we have lost.

We come together to make visible the achievements and excellence of women working within the Australian Music Industry. We hold them up to be seen; their unique contributions acknowledged and their value celebrated.

I would like to express my personal gratitude for the support of the QLD Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk and the QLD Government and to Jason McLean and Canon without whose vision and foresight AWMA would not be possible.

I acknowledge our community and corporate partners, our industry supporters and the extraordinary artists and creative workers who have joined their voices to ours with generosity and solidarity. To Michael Clifford, the Queensland Council of Unions and Bill Harris for your guidance and invaluable friendship; to all members of the Cicada Board who have helped to slap the AWMA's into life; Tracee Hutchison - you are the wings that have made AWMA fly; Theresa Famularo for your honesty and integrity; Martine Cotton for ensuring we remain as equitable and transparent as possible, to Roz Pappalardo for everything you do for women in Regional and Remote QLD and to Katie Noonan for your unflinching support and love.

Tonight, there will be winners and there will be honors conferred which are deserving and long overdue. But to all of you who have been nominated and involved in the inaugural AWMA's, to our Patrons, Advisory and Juror Councils and to everyone who has assisted with funding, organising, and especially those attending our inaugural award ceremony this evening, we embrace you.

AWMA is the culmination of a life time dream for me. I hope it provides a new model of collaboration for the Australian Music Industry; one which celebrates inclusivity, diversity and cultural sovereignty.



A FEW WORDS



TRACEE HUTCHISON AWMA CO-PRODUCER CHAIR, NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Music can change the world. I've always believed that. Ever since I first heard Helen Reddy's anthem 'I Am Woman' in 1972. Even then, as a nine-year-old, I felt empowered by those roaring lyrics "I am strong, I am invincible" sung by an Australian woman on the world stage and eternally etched in my minds eve in a halter-neck and flares.

It was that same brazen idealism that landed me a dream job at TripleJ just over a decade later, when working there felt like a political statement and

there were so many Australian women making incredible music ~ and so many women hosting music shows on radio and TV ~ it didn't occur to any of us it was unusual.

It was in that heady, politically-charged JJJ-environment in the mid-1980's that I met Vicki Gordon. Vicki was setting up the inaugural Australian Women's Rock Institute and was a brave and uncompromising force in her advocacy and action on gender equity. She has never given up on her belief that recognition, visibility, inclusivity and empowerment are central to real equality. Thirty years later I am proud to stand with Vicki, as a friend and colleague, at the inaugural Australian Women in Music Awards as we deliver on her vision.

To our esteemed AWMA Patrons, Advisors, Jurors and steadfast supporters, I thank you for your generous hearts, your wisdom, your perspective, your passion and unwavering belief.

In particular, I thank Archie Roach and Charley Drayton who trusted us to carry the legacies of their respective dearests Aunty Ruby Hunter and Chrissy Amphlett as our Posthumous Patrons and ensure their lights continue to shine. We hold them close tonight.

Music is the most powerful and evocative form of creative expression there is. It makes our hearts sing, our spirits fly, our bodies dance and our minds think. It is through our creatives that we see ourselves reflected in the cultural, social and political landscape of the times, which is why the AWMA's are so important. Recognition, visibility, inclusivity, empowerment and, most importantly, holding each other up with generous hearts.

It's how we change the world.

Tonight, we celebrate the women who have come before us and those who continue to light the way. I salute you all. Now, in the words of Helen Reddy, Hear Us Roar!





MARTINE COTTON - AWMA JUROR CHAIR

It's an honour and privilege to be the Jury Chair at the first ever AWMA's, working alongside people who've been working to advance women's equality for decades, and helping shine a spotlight on the work of so many worthy women working in the industry. Collaborating with our incredible jury council to support and promote the previously uncelebrated and invisible has been such a delight! Thank you to the jurors, and to everyone involved in this historical event, the first ever Australian Women in Music Awards!

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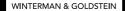












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APRA-AMCOS Songwriter Award

Recognises a female songwriter or composer who has made extraordinary impact nationally and/or internationally in the past 12 months.



Sarah Blayko



Gordi (Sophie Payten)



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Shebah Muzic Leadership Award

Recognises a female CEO, Managing Director, Label Manager, A&R Director, Artist Manager or Publisher making significant impact in music industry leadership.





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Toward Gender Parity: Women on Boards initiative

The Queensland Government is committed to increasing the number of women on boards in the public, private and not-for-profit sectors.



To find out more visit www.qld.gov.au/womenonboards



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SSI Diversity in Muzic Award

Recognises individual artists or female-driven musical collaborations for their contribution to advancing a culturally diverse and inclusive music industry.









Rachel Signal Creative Maria Cox

ANMA Studio Production Award

Recognises a female sound engineer or producer who has made contributions of outstanding significance in the studio recording environment.





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Canon Australia Music Photographer Award

Recognises a female music photographer currently working in the field and to acknowledge her body of work.







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Spotify Creative Leadership Award

A curatorial award recognising excellence in creative programming and/or content creation from a woman working in a music festival, live performance/venue or media setting to champion female artists.



Katie Moonan

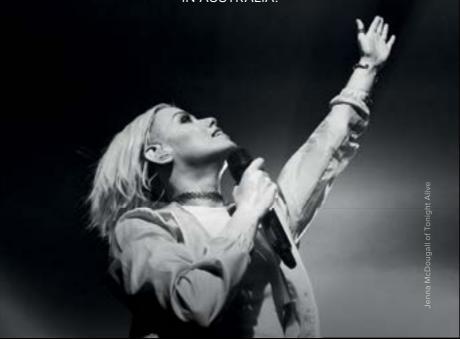


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Recognises a female artist who has had a significant breakthrough impact nationally in the past 12 months.



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Recognises exceptional creative achievement from a female artist/ musician across any genre.



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Canon Australia Film-maker Award

Recognises a female music videographer, clip-maker or film-maker currently working in the field and to acknowledge her body of work.







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AtNMA live Production Award

Recognises a female working in a live production or touring environment making significant impact in her field: Includes Tour Management, Live Sound, Lighting, Backstage and Roadcrew



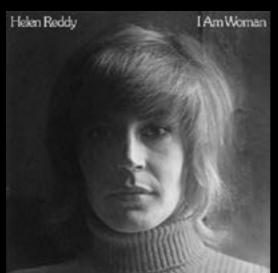
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AWMA HONOUR ROLL INDUCTEE

Helen Reddy



Few Australian performers can lay claim to the influence and legacy of Melbourne born Helen Reddy, whose signature song 'I Am Woman' has been an anthem for the women's movement since its release in 1972. The first Australian to win a Grammy Award, Reddy's iconic lyrics "I am woman, hear me roar" have been appropriated and embraced by generations of feminist activists as an empowering and audacious call to arms.

Born in 1941, Reddy grew up in a showbiz family and began performing as a child. She sang on radio and television and won a talent contest on the music-television program, 'Bandstand', in 1966, for a ticket and recording audition in New York City. The audition didn't work out, but she pushed on to LA and built a career that resulted in more than a dozen US Top 40 hits, including 3 Number 1's, and hosted a weekly prime-time TV show, another first for an Australian.

In her best-selling 2006 memoir 'The Woman I Am', Reddy revealed she had a rare and incurable disease. In 2017, Reddy performed 'I Am Woman' live for the last time (with the help of thousands) at the Women's March in her adopted hometown, Los Angeles.

A feminist icon, Helen Reddy is AWMA's inaugural Honour Roll inductee.



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Recognises exceptional musicianship from a female musician across any genre.



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Tezzie Loyd Shellie Morriz Gira William

Industry Observer Lifetime Achievement Award

Presented to a female artist or musician who has made outstanding artistic contribution to the field of recording and/ or live performance during her lifetime.







Patricia Amphlett

Patricia 'Little Pattie' Amphlett, began her career performing at surf club dances on Sydney's southern beaches and released her debut single, 'He's my blonde headed stompie wompie real gone surfer boy in 1963, aged 14. At 17, she became the youngest Australian entertainer to perform in Vietnam and 1972 took part in the iconic Labor Party 'It's time' advertising campaign. Amphlett served on the Council of the Australian War Memorial in the 1990's, and as the National President of Australia's Media, Entertainment and Arts Alliance She has served on the Federal Executive of the Australian Council of Trade Unions and was president of Actors' Equity. Patricia is a much-loved music teacher, mentor and proud AWMA Patron.

Renée Geyer

Renée Gever is Australia's most respected soul and R&B singer, with a recording career spanning 40 years. Born in Melbourne and schooled in Sydney, her career began in the early 1970's in Sydney, releasing her iconic version of James Brown's 'It's A Man's World' in 1974. Her many hits include 'Heading in the Right Direction', 'Say I Love You' and 'Stares and Whispers'. Based in the US in the 1980's, Geyer became a sought-after session singer for the likes of Sting, Neil Diamond, Jackson Brown, Joe Cocker, Chaka Khan and Buddy Guy. Geyer returned to Melbourne in the 1990's and released her frank life story, 'Confessions of a Difficult Woman' in 1999. Geyer remains one of Australian music's most compelling and captivating solo performers.

Margret Road Knigh

Margret RoadKnight began her music career in the 1960's and became a lightning rod for the feminist activist movement during the 1970's. Her signature song, 'Girls in Our Town', was one of the first to explore the isolation of young Australian married women living in suburbia. A passionate artist full of wit and wisdom, RoadKnight's repertoire spans jazz, blues, folk and gospel. Born in Melbourne in 1943, RoadKnight was based in Sydney for several decades, Brisbane for another, regional Victoria for almost another decade and is now back in her hometown, Melbourne. A pioneer of social justice and gender equity issues both in Australia and internationally, 2018 marks 55 years of professional singing and 45 years since her first record was released.

"We dance our Mother Earth
We sing our Mother Tongue
We pay tribute to and acknowledge the matrilineal.
As Original Sovereigns we live in relationality
and we are responsible for restoring and re-storying
balance in our countries. With this knowledge.
I give my full support to ALMA. Lets all commit
to bringing back balance."

Or Low Bennett

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