

BPW AUSTRALIA AWARD NOMINATIONS

BPW Clubs are invited to nominate members for the biennial BPW Awards that will be presented at the Gala Dinner at the BPW Australia National Conference. The application forms are accessible under [Awards](#) on the BPW Australia website.

To be eligible for nomination, each individual nominee should be a financial member, and nominating BPW Clubs must be financial on the nomination date.

The Jean Arnot Award

The Jean Arnot Award was established in 1994 to honour the life and commitment of Jean Arnot, a past National President and pioneer of the fight for equal pay in Australia.

The Award seeks to recognise outstanding commitment and service to women through BPW, nationally or internationally. The nominee will have made a major change to administration, policies or projects that established a major benefit for women.

The nominee must be a current member of BPW and length of BPW membership must exceed 5 years.

The Young BPW Award

The Young BPW Award acknowledges and recognises a Young BPW for both BPW and career achievements and her potential in both arenas. Career success does not necessarily mean she has reached the top of the tree, but that she is progressing well for her age.

The nominee should be:

- a good all-rounder, a woman who is both achieving success in her career and within the community
- committed to raising the status of women through her work with BPW

Nominees will be asked to complete an application, write an essay, be interviewed by a panel and deliver a short speech at the National Conference.

The BPW Australia Power to Make a Difference Award

This Award is part of a BPW International program and recognises a Club that demonstrates the capacity of BPW to make a difference for women. This Award can be in one of three categories:

- Advocacy
- Action
- Leadership

The project presented can be any national or international project managed by a BPW Australia Club. It will be judged on the difference the outcome of the project has had upon women, the significance of the change, and the number of women it affected.

This Award mirrors the BPW International Award and the winner will be encouraged to nominate for the International Award at the next Congress in (date to be advised), or if outside timeframes, the next due Congress.

The Pat Harrison Leadership Award

BPW Clubs may submit nominations for this award, which recognises a Club President who held office between 1 July 2018 and 30 June 2021. The nominated member must have held the office of Club President for a minimum of 12 months. The Award winner is chosen by Past BPW International President Pat Harrison. The criteria for the award are:

- Leadership in mentoring club members
- Leadership in promoting Young BPWs into the Club
- Leadership of programs in the Club
- Leadership of programs in the community.

The Beryl Nashar Award (no nominations)

This Award recognises a BPW member with 3 or more years of membership who has made an outstanding contribution to BPW. It honours Professor Beryl Nashar OBE, Past President of BPW Australia and BPW International.

NOTE: this is a President's Award and will be selected by the BPWA National President to recognise a member who has contributed significantly to the BPW Aims and purpose during the President's term.

The Freda Miriklis Women's Empowerment Award (no nominations)

The Freda Miriklis Women's Empowerment Award was established in 2016 to recognise Freda's work leading up to and during her term as President of BPW International 2011-2014 and for her instrumental role in developing and promoting the Women's Empowerment Principles (WEPs) - a partnership initiative of UN Women and UN Global Compact (UNGC) - now considered the nexus for achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

The award is granted to an Australian woman who has excelled in promoting women's empowerment in one or more of the seven WEPs. The Award winner is chosen by Past BPW International President Freda Miriklis.

Check the [Awards page](#) on the BPW Australia website for more information about the Awards, or contact President Jacqueline Graham on president@bpw.com.au