

Winner of Gargi Woman Award 2018 – (Academic Researcher)

By Bharathi R

JUNE BULLIVANT has been awarded Hindu Council of Australia's Gargi Woman Award 2018 for her outstanding contribution as Academic Researcher. The award consisting of a plaque was presented to her by Federal MP Julie Owens and by Mr Surinder Jain - Vice President - Hindu council of Australia.

June has earlier been nominated for the 2012 Women of the West Award for her commitment to providing educational opportunities and preserving the history of Western Sydney.

The Granville Historical Society is a resource centre which collects the history of the Granville and Parramatta local areas; provides historical information and photographs for the use of the community, for use for educational and family history; offers educational presentations to organisations and schools; and provides photographic displays for use within the Parramatta Heritage Centre.

She has played a lead role in the Society since 1988, when she and her husband founded the organisation as part of a Bicentenary Committee project

Over the years, She has served the Granville Historical Society in a number of roles, including as President, for three times. She currently serves as Secretary and Treasurer, and regularly writes grant proposals for upcoming projects.

Her role involves the preparation of PowerPoint presentations and to provide schools with interactive presentations that make the subject of local history more interesting. She is currently working on a virtual walk through Parramatta Park, which will be given to organisations and schools to share the local history of Granville and the Parramatta LGA.

She is also a delegate on the Parramatta City Council Heritage Advisory Committee, which works to protect Parramatta heritage sites - at present she is working to oppose the recent proposal to drill holes through the 1836 Lennox Bridge.

While proud of the fights she has been involved in over the years — saving Granville pool, upgrade of Granville station and saving heritage on the UWS Rydalmere site — she insists she is “no hero”. She worked tirelessly to keep Parramatta Female factory alive.

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