

# The Australian Women's Register

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Entry type: Person  
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## Valadian, Margaret

(1936 - 2024)

Born	3 September, 1936, Darwin Northern Territory Australia
Died	23 December, 2024
Occupation	Educator

### Summary

Margaret Valadian was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) on 26 January 1986 and Civil Member of the Order of the British Empire on 12 June 1976 for services to the Aboriginal Community.

## Events

### **1996 - 1996**

Winner: Alumnus of the Year Award, The University of Queensland's Alumni Association

### **1978 - 1978**

Director, Aboriginal Education Centre, University of Wollongong

### **2036 - 2036**

Born: daughter of O. Valadian

### **1984 - 1984**

Visiting Professor, Rural Education at the University of Alaska

### **1984 - 1987**

Deputy Chair, New South Wales Board of Adult Education

### **1976 - 1978**

Director, Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Teacher Aides Development Program

### **1978 - 1990**

Founder and co-director, Aboriginal Training and Cultural Institute (Sydney)

### **1961 - 1962**

Welfare worker, Welfare Board Northern Territory

### **1964 - 1964**

Research Officer, Department of Territories Papua New Guinea

### **1966 - 1966**

Department of Native Affairs, Western Australia

### **1974 - 1974**

Social Planning consultant, Schools Commission Canberra

### **1966 - 1966**

Graduated Bachelor Social Studies, University of Queensland (first Aboriginal graduate of this university)

### **1998 - 2002**

Member, Council of the Order of Australia

### **1995 - 1995**

Awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters from Macquarie University

### **1970 - 1970**

Chair, Aboriginal Art Advisory Council

### **1969 - 1969**

Completed Master of Education, University of Hawaii

### **1973 - 1973**

Completed Master of Social Welfare, State University of New York

## Published resources

### Edited Book

Who's Who in Australia 2002, Herd, Margaret, 2002

The Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal Australia : Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, society and culture, Horton, David, 1994

### Book

Aboriginal education-- development or destruction : the issues and challenges that have to be recognised, Valadian, M., 1992

Never too late [videorecording], Gow, K. (director); Knight, E. (producer), Valadian, M. (consultant), c1985

### Report

Report of the first national aboriginal teacher aide three day workshop and one day seminar held at the Bardon Professional Development Centre, Brisbane, June 19-22, 1978 / hosted by Queensland Department of Education ; organised by Alan Randell, Margaret Valadian and Art More., c1978

### Book Section

Aboriginal adult education / Paper presented at National Conference on Adult Aboriginal Learning, Perth,. September, 1988, Valadian, Margaret, 1988

Aboriginal identity : instruction and interaction at an experimental training workshop [at A.N.U., Canberra], Valadian, Margaret; Barwick, Diane, 1977

### Journal Article

Aboriginal women's health; Report on conference on health; notes role of traditional healers, problems facing Aborigines; recommendations for health care programme Source: -- ; v.25, no.4; 24-25, Valadian, Margaret, 1975

### Newspaper Article

They're helping Aborigines to help themselves [Aboriginal Training and Cultural Institute]; M. Valadian and McNamara teaching management skills Balmain, Bell, Glennys, 1979

### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Site Exhibition

Faith, Hope and Charity Australian Women and Imperial Honours: 1901-1989, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2003,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html>

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