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Entry type: Person **Entry ID:** AWE1810

Willis, Sabine Hedwig

(1938 -)

Nationality	Australian
Born	24 February, 1938, Frankfurt am Main Germany
Occupation	Academic, Historian

Summary

Sabine Hedwig Willis is a well known feminist and historian who ran for election once only. She was the ALP's candidate in the 1976 New South Wales Legislative Assembly election for Northcott.

Details

Sabine Willis was born in Frankfurt Main, West Germany, on 24 February 1938. She was educated at Beecroft Public School and Hornsby Girls High School and completed her tertiary education at Macquarie University (BA Hons, 1971) and at the University of New South Wales (PhD, 1974). She became Lecturer in politics, School of History, Philosophy and Politics, Macquarie University in 1980, having been Senior Tutor from 1974 to 80.

Her publications include Enquiry into the Status of Women in the Church (editor); Women, Faith and Fetes, Essays in the History of Women and the Church in Australia (editor), and the 1983 Backhouse Lecture, An Adventure into Feminism with Friends.

She was a member of the Commission on the Status of Women (NSW) from 1973 and an executive member of the Australian Council of Churches from 1976-1978. She is presently a member of the Society of Friends. Sabine was married in 1959, (dissolved 1975) and has two sons.

Published resources

Edited Book

Who's Who of Australian Women, Lofthouse, Andrea, 1982

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Site Exhibition

Putting Skirts on the Sacred Benches: Women Candidates for the New South Wales Parliament, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2006.

http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/pssb/home.html

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