

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE2843

## O'Callaghan, Mary Louise

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**Occupation** Journalist, Print journalist, Radio Journalist

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### Summary

Mary Louise O'Callaghan is a journalist and commentator on regional Pacific affairs. She won a Gold Walkley Award in 1997 for her account of the controversial Sandline Affair on Bougainville in Papua New Guinea. In the Solomon Islands she has been closely involved with the Winds of Change team, which is the name for Initiatives of Change in that country. Amongst other things she masterminded the communications strategy for their clean-election campaign in 2006. Mary Louise is originally from Melbourne, but she has lived for over two decades in the Solomon Islands.

### Events

#### 2004 - 2004

Radio Feature, Documentary or Broadcast Special, 'Solomon Island Series', Late Night Live, ABC Radio National (with Phillip Adams, Chris Bullock & Paul Gough)

#### 1997 - 1997

International Reporting, 'Papua New Guinea', The Australian – News Ltd

#### 1997 - 1997

Gold Walkley, 'Papua New Guinea', The Australian – News Ltd

#### 1980 -

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Article

Mary-Louise O'Callaghan: Honiara's 'natural' reporter, Kauli, Florence, 2002,  
<http://www.usp.ac.fj/journ/docs/wansol/7102/7102louis.html>

#### Site Exhibition

The Women's Pages: Australian Women and Journalism since 1850, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2008,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/cal/cal-home.html>

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