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Hazlehurst, Leonie (Noni) Elva

(1953 -)

Born 17 August, 1953, Melbourne Victoria Australia

Occupation Actor, Broadcaster, Director, Presenter, Television actor, Television personality, Writer, Youth advocate

Summary

Noni Hazlehurst is an Australian actress, writer, and director. Born in 1953 Hazlehurst began her career in the arts in the 1970's playing a character in the television series *The Box*. Hazlehurst is particularly well known for her long time role on the children's' program *Play School* . Her experiences with children's programming and media have led Hazlehurst to speak out about the potential impact of the media on child welfare. Her role as a youth and children's advocate is also demonstrated through her position as national ambassador with Barnardo's children's charity.

In 1995 Hazlehurst received an Order of Australia award for her services to children and children's charities, other awards and honours were to follow. In 2016 Hazlehurst became the second Woman to be inducted into the Logies Hall of Fame and used her acceptance speech to speak out against sexism and bigotry in the television industry. Hazlehurst has also received an Honorary Doctorate of Letters from Flinders University, four Australian Film Institute Awards, two Film Critics Circle of Australia Awards, two Logie Awards, and one award from both the San Sebastian International Film Festival and Toronto Worldwide Short Film Festival.

Published resources

Resource

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Newspaper Article

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