

EMILY HENSLEY AWARD 2024

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ABOUT THE EMILY HENSLEY AWARD

In 2018 the Emily Hensley Award was established as a way of recognising the wonderfully diverse achievements of our young alumnae. Focused on celebrating individuals under the age of 40, the Award is designed to raise awareness of early career alumnae of Melbourne Girls Grammar. In the 130 Anniversary year of the School we are even more excited to see the list of nominees for this coveted award.

The MGGGS community is acutely aware that so many of our Grammarians go on to achieve amazing things. Living the School values, many also demonstrate a steadfast commitment to a chosen field of endeavour. Our OGs are energetic, confident and determined to make a contribution to the wider community through their voice and actions.

Many among our community have been inspired and motivated by what others have done since leaving School. This is your opportunity to highlight someone who you admire and want to bring to our attention. As a nominator, this is your chance to share some of the many incredible things that are happening in the MGGGS alumnae community, and to identify a great colleague, friend or family member.

You can also self-nominate. This award creates the opportunity for individuals to let us know what they've been doing since leaving school.

We encourage you to get involved.

WHO WAS EMILY HENSLEY?

Emily Hensley was one of two founding principals of our school, in 1893.

Miss Hensley was remarkably one of the first five women to study at Cambridge University in the 1870s, an environment where women needed courage and self-discipline to succeed. After some years teaching, Miss Hensley established her own school in the late 1880s where as Principal of Tavistock School for Girls in Devon, she was responsible for boarders as well as day girls. In 1890, she travelled across the world to Australia to accept a pioneering position at Trinity College Ladies Hostel, Melbourne University, before making the decision in 1893 to establish an academic girls' school in South Yarra with co-founder Miss Alice Taylor 130 years ago this year.

Emily Hensley was a woman who took on life and its challenges, while having the integrity to stand up for her rights. Her life embodies the values of our school and this award, aptly named the Emily Hensley Award, continues her legacy and recognises young women today whose lives resonate with the same spirit.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERION

The following Selection Criteria provide a guide for the attributes that the EHA Selection Committee are looking for. Specifically, you should be able to define how the Nominee can demonstrate:

1. the School values – Courage, Self Discipline, Integrity and Compassion – through their actions and conduct;
2. their commitment to a chosen field of endeavour. This may include but is not limited to, a particular project, continued learning, career progression and/or personal growth; and
3. that they have made a contribution to the wider community. This may include, but is not limited to, philanthropic action, involvement in community programs, relief support and/or service/volunteer work. For many this service may be an integral part of their role or the characteristics of their career path.

To be eligible, the Nominee should:

- have attended MGGGS for all or part of their primary and/or secondary education.
- be a Young Old Grammarian; classified as aged 40 years or younger, at the time of application.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Nominators must obtain acceptance by the Nominee to submit a nomination.
- Contact information of up to two supporters are required for each nomination. These supporters may be contacted if the Nominee is shortlisted. If supporters are contacted, they will be asked to confirm information outlined in the nomination.

SPECIFIC INFORMATION

WHO CAN BE NOMINATED?

Nominations are encouraged from any young Old Grammarian that meets the Eligibility and Selection criterion, regardless of field of study, current role, industry, or location.

The Nominee must be 40 years of age or younger at the time of nomination.

WHO CAN SUBMIT A NOMINATION?

Any member of the Melbourne Girls Grammar community including, staff, Old Grammarians, current families, past families, community partners, and friends of MGGGS may nominate a young Old Grammarian for the Award.

Nominees may also self-nominate.

THE SELECTION PROCESS

The Emily Hensley Award (EHA) Selection Committee is comprised of MGGGS staff, OGs and external community members. The identities of the Committee remain confidential throughout the process to protect the integrity of the Award. Selection of the Award recipient will be based on assessment of the Nominee against the Award criteria. The EHA Selection Committee will conduct a shortlisting process, at which point they may seek additional information from shortlisted nominees and/or supporters in order to inform their final decision.

There can, at the discretion of the EHA Selection Committee, be more than one Award offered in any given year. If the Committee deem that no suitable nominations are received, MGGGS reserves the right to not offer the Award during that calendar year.

All nominations, and deliberations by the EHA Selection Committee, will be strictly confidential. The decision of the Committee is final.

DATES

Nominations Open:	27 August 2024
Nominations Close:	6 October 2024
Award selection committee review nominations:	October 2024
Nominees notified and recipients announced:	November 2024
Award Presentation:	At the 2024 Speech Night

*Exact dates and times to be confirmed

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

For further information please contact the Marketing and Community Engagement Office at Melbourne Girls Grammar via email at awards@mogs.vic.edu.au or phone (03) 9862 9200.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF NOMINATION

NOMINATIONS

- Nominees must meet the eligibility criteria and award selection criteria.
- Unless shortlisted, the selection panel will not contact nominees or nominators for further supporting information. Nominators are therefore encouraged to work with the nominee to ensure they put forward any and all information they consider to be relevant for consideration by the selection panel.
- Shortlisted nominations may be requested to provide further information to the selection panel.
- Contact information for up to two supporters will be required for each nomination. These supporters will be contacted if the nominee is shortlisted.
- If a member of the selection panel is involved in any nomination they will not participate in the selection process for that calendar year.
- Unsuccessful nominees are eligible to re-apply.

SUBMITTING YOUR NOMINATION

- All nominations must consist of a completed [Nomination Form](#).
- Nominators may provide additional supporting information (resume, letters of support, references, other awards or acknowledgements) if they feel these would further support the nomination. This is not a requirement of nomination.
- Nominations are to be submitted via email, post or by hand by the submission closing date using the following contact information.

Email: awards@mggs.vic.edu.au

Post or Hand: c/o Alumnae Manager, Melbourne Girls Grammar

86 Anderson Street, South Yarra, VIC 3141

- Nominations that are not received by the due date will not be assessed by the selection panel.

ACCEPTANCES AND PRESENTATION

- All nominees will be notified of the decision made by the selection panel prior to any public announcement.
- Once notified, if a recipient does not accept the offer of award within the specified time period (7 working days), MGGS reserves the right to offer to another candidate or, where applicable, to offer no award during the calendar year.
- The Award/s will be presented at the annual Awards Presentation.
- Recipient/s must be available to attend and formally accept their award at the Awards Presentation, held each year in March at MGGS. Recipient/s will also be requested to attend the Annual International Women's Day Assembly, on or around International Women's Day.

GENERAL

- These terms and conditions may be amended at any time. The amended Terms and Conditions will be effective immediately after being posted on the MGGS Website.
- All nominations, and content within nominations, will be treated in confidence and in accordance with the School's Privacy Policy. No information will be circulated outside of the Schools Alumnae Office, Award Selection Panel, Old Grammarians Society and selected members of MGGS staff, without the prior consent of the nominee/awardee.
- In accepting an award, the winning nominee agrees that their image and other information (excluding any personal contact details) will be used to assist the Alumnae Office and the Old Grammarians Society to promote the nominee, MGGS and the Emily Hensley Award; and that they will assist with this promotion and associated activities as reasonably requested. It is the responsibility of the nominator to ensure this is understood by the nominee upon application.

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