

**APS Women and Psychology Interest Group
Inaugural Una Gault Symposium**

"Honouring and Celebrating Women in Psychology"

Showcasing the contribution of women to the profession through the work of recent recipients of the APS Elaine Dignan Award, and relating this work to current psychological practice.

**Saturday 30th November 2013
Victoria University**

**City Convention Centre, Level 12, 300 Flinders Street, Melbourne. Room 1
9:30am to 4.00pm - Lunch and refreshments provided**

This APS Women & Psychology Interest Group Symposium is hosted by the Victorian group in conjunction with Victoria University College of Arts. The venue is located in the heart of Melbourne CBD, and has fantastic views over the Yarra.

Una Gault was a founding member of the Women and Psychology Interest Group who passed away on November 30 2012. One of her goals was to support women psychologists to conduct research and practice from a feminist philosophy. Elaine Dignan was a feminist psychology foremother in Queensland until her death in 1990, after which an annual award was set up in her name. In their memory, we will honour the contribution of women psychologists to the profession and also honour the interest group's aims by celebrating, sharing and creatively reflecting on the contribution of recent Elaine Dignan Award recipients to the profession and the Australian community. There will be opportunities to discuss their work in relation to psychological practice.

Registration details at: <http://www.psychology.org.au/Events/EventView.aspx?ID=12895>

Keynote presentation - Foremothers and their legacy: Dr. Una Gault

Heather Gridley and Dori Wisniewski - "Honouring Una Gault's philosophical and ethical legacy in psychology - as a pioneer in women's rights, academic and founder of the APS Women and Psychology Interest Group".

Elaine Dignan Award Recipients presentations

Life-span development sub-theme:

- Catherine D'Arcy - Dignan Award Recipient 2011 - "Mothers Living Well".
- Tamara May, Dignan Award Recipient 2011- "Research and practice with women and girls with intellectual disabilities".
- Andrea Shoebridge, Dignan Award Recipient 2012 - "How psychology (and society) constructs single women".

Family violence sub-theme:

- Karen Carlson and Liz Mulder, Dignan Award Recipients 2010 - "Family and domestic violence – A gendered crime".
- Carmel O'Brien, Dignan Award Recipient 2010 - "Exploring the psychological impact of domestic violence, the process of recovery for women and how the profession can lead the way to better responses for women and children."