

NOMINEE STATEMENT

NOMINEE DETAILS

If there are more than 14 nominees to the available positions, an election will be conducted. To ensure electoral fairness, applicants are required to provide a brief description of relevant community involvement and experience in support of their nomination. You may attach a word document instead of completing this form if you wish.

No other documentation is required.

Name Marion Lau OAM, JP

Organisation Chinese Community Society of Victoria.

Please provide a brief description of relevant community involvement and experience (e.g. occupation, qualifications, skills, etc.)

Marion is a Director of her own management consultancy, with focus on aged care, ethnic aged and migrant women's health and well-being, as well as small business counselling and mentoring. In recent time, she has also provided a service to selected international students in the area of social and emotional support, as well as general mentoring and conversational English tutoring.

Marion has special interest and commitment to advocate for the principles of Access & Equity and Social Justice and their application to migrants, especially women & children, and the aged from Non-English Speaking Backgrounds.

As a female small business owner, she is concerned that small businesses have the support to understand and comply with relevant legislations, especially business owners from Non-English Speaking backgrounds, as well as develop strategies to ensure their continuing financial sustainability and profitability. She is a volunteer with the Small Business Mentoring Service and mentors many small business owners.

She has spoken at many seminars and conducted workshops and lectured to student nurses and multi-disciplinary members of aged care teams on caring for patients from Non-English Speaking Backgrounds and the ethnic aged. As an Aged Care Consultant, she works with residential aged care providers to assist them to comply with Commonwealth & State regulations.

Marion was awarded the Order of Australia in 1996 for her work with older Australians and those from Chinese backgrounds, and a Centenary medal in 2003 for her work in promoting multiculturalism. She is also a Justice of the Peace in Victoria, and a Paul Harris Fellow of Rotary International.

Past Chair & Current Deputy Chair – Ethnic Communities' Council of Victoria
Chair – Aged Care Policy Sub-Committee – Ethnic Communities' Council of Victoria
Immediate Past President – Chinese Health Foundation of Australia
Past President – Chinese Society of Victoria
Director – Doutta Gala Aged Services Inc
Member – RDNS Ethics & Research Committee
Board Member – Royal Children's Hospital Children's Bioethics Development Centre
Member – Order of Australia Association – Victoria Branch
Member – Rotary Club of Glen Eira, Victoria & Paul Harris Fellow
Honorary President – Victorian Elderly Chinese Welfare Society Inc
Patron – National Australian Chinese Women Association Inc
Victorian Honor Roll of Women
Previous Commissioner- Victorian Multicultural Commission

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