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2022 ROTARY INSPIRATIONAL WOMEN'S AWARDS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

Today the Rotary clubs of NSW announced the finalists of the 2022 Rotary Inspirational Women's Awards – RIWA - at Parliament House, Sydney.

Mr. Mark Coure MP, Member for Oatley and Minister for Multiculturalism, and for Seniors today congratulated the 16 NSW 2022 finalists for RIWA, proudly presented by the Rotary Clubs of NSW.

Mr Coure said the Awards are a fantastic opportunity to shine a light upon the enormous contribution of women in both urban and rural communities across New South Wales. He thanked all who submitted nominations this year.

The judges, comprising panels of Rotarians from across the State of NSW, have expressed how the high quality of nominations have made their task very challenging and a wonderful honour.

“Each and every finalist is fully deserving of recognition for the tireless and generous work they do in their communities. They give so much and ask for nothing in return and I congratulate them on their nomination,” Mr Coure said.

NSW Minister for Women the Hon Bronnie Taylor MLC said these awards celebrate the outstanding commitment, sacrifice and passion of Rotary's inspirational women.

“As a community it is so important we take the time to thank and acknowledge our volunteers. Today is about celebrating you!” Mrs Taylor said.

Awards Ambassador, Louisa Hope announced the finalists of each category. RIWA Chair, Rae-Anne Medforth was joined by the RIWA committee in congratulating each of our finalists.

Finalists come from country and rural locations as well as urban finalists from the Sydney area, Newcastle, and Wollongong.

The Awards are divided into three categories: Urban, Rural and Health. These are further divided into:

1. Young Inspirational Woman of the Year
2. Rural Inspirational Woman of the Year
3. City/Urban Inspirational Woman of the Year
4. Inspirational Health Worker

A total of 16 finalists will be recognised.

The RIWA committee is currently organizing an Awards Ceremony to be held on 11 September 2022. Full details will be announced and circulated as soon as they are confirmed.

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2022 FINALISTS

Inspirational Woman	Nominee First Name	Nominee Last Name	Local Government Area
Young Inspirational Woman	Amani	Ajaje	Cumberland
	Bronte	Hendricks	Sutherland
	Shahira	Mohseni	Wollongong
	Marwa	Moeen	Fairfield
City/Urban	Kathleen	Connor	Sydney
	Wendy	Gillespie	Central Coast
	Danielle	Lucas	Sutherland
	Jenny	Smith	Canada Bay
Rural	Gail	Commens	Junee
	Zona	Kelly	Port Stephens
	Karen	Lowry	Shoalhaven
	Tracy	Provest	Shoalhaven
HEALTH	Sally	Black	Wollongong
	Susie	Corby	Engadine
	Dr Karly	Field	Coffs Harbour
	Verity	Luckey	Randwick