

## The Rose Society of Victoria Inc.

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## NOMINATION OF MRS MARGARET MACGREGOR FOR THE T.A. STEWART MEMORIAL AWARD 2015 – NOMINATED BY THE ROSE SOCIETY OF VICTORIA

Margaret joined the Rose Society of Victoria in 1966. Margaret was a volunteer at the International Rose Convention organised by the Rose Society of Victoria in 1967. Margaret assisted with the production of the Victorian Rose News – proof reading and distribution for 5 years from 1970 to 1975. In 1974 Margaret was appointed to the Rose Society of Victoria council. From 1976 to 1980 Margaret served as secretary of the Rose Society of Victoria.

- In 1981, Margaret retired from office to assist her husband in establishing a Rose Nursery in the Yarra Valley. Margaret returned to the Rose Society council in 1989 after the death of her husband. In 1990 Margaret was elected as Vice-president of the Rose Society of Victoria and held this position until 2000.
- From 1998 to 1999, Margaret was convener of the centenary committee of the Rose Society of Victoria to organise the numerous events of ROSEWEEK 1999 in the Royal Exhibition Building.
- In 2000, Margaret was elected WORLD FEDERATION ROSE SOCIETIES' Vice-president for Australasia at the WORLD FEDERATION SOCIETIES' CONVENTION in Houston, Texas, the position of which Margret proudly held for 9 years.
- Since 1971, Margaret has attended several Conventions and Annual Meetings of the National Rose Society of Australia, frequently as a delegate. She has attended international meetings, Rose Trials in the U.K., New Zealand, Japan and Canada.
- In 2003, Margaret qualified as a Horticultural Judge for the American Rose Society. Since 2003 Margaret has contributed to many articles about The Rose in Australia for the World Rose News and the American Rose Annual, as well as articles for the Australian Rose Annual.
- Margaret wrote the text for the WORLD FEDERATION ROSE SOCIETIES tribute to the PEACE ROSE, also a brief history of the rose in Australia in 2005
- Margaret has been responsible for arranging preparation of the PLAQUES awarded to the ROSE GARDEN OF EXCELLENCE in Australia and New Zealand.
- In 2006, The Silver Medal for the service to the WORLD FEDERATION ROSE SOCIETIES was awarded to Margaret.



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- In 2006, Margaret received Honorary Life Membership of the Rose Society of Victoria.
- In 2007, Margaret was awarded the AUSTRALIAN ROSE AWARD.

Margaret continues to give generously her time lecturing on rose culture to various garden clubs and charitable organisations and is a member of the Rose Society of Victoria's team of demonstrators during the pruning months of June and July.

The Rose Society of Victoria is proud to nominate Margaret Macgregor for the 2015 T.A. STEWART AWARD.