

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE0298

## Mora, Mirka

(1928 - 2018)

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**Born** 18 March, 1928, Paris France

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**Died** 1 August, 2018

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**Occupation** Artist

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### Summary

In 1998 Mirka Mora was awarded the title of Honoured Artist, by the Lord Mayor and councillors of the City of Melbourne, 'in recognition of lifelong achievement in the arts which has made an outstanding contribution to the life of this city'. Born in Paris, France, Mora with her husband Georges and son Philippe arrived in Australia in 1951. Over time their cafes and restaurants, The Mirka Café, the Balzac and the Tolarno were renowned for the bohemian style of the time. In 1999, a retrospective of her work was shown at Heide Museum of Modern Art and her autobiography *Wicked but Virtuous: My Life* was published in October 2000.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Book

Contemporary Australian Women 1996/97, 1996

#### Edited Book

Who's Who in Australia 2002, Herd, Margaret, 2002

Who's Who of Australian Women, Lofthouse, Andrea, 1982

### Archival resources

#### National Film and Sound Archive

[The Good Looker : \[Mirka Mora Interview : Source Material\]](#)

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