

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE0548

## Drake-Brockman, Henrietta Frances York

(1901 - 1968)

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**Born** 27 July, 1901, Perth Western Australia Australia

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**Died** 8 March, 1968

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**Occupation** Author

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### Summary

The daughter of Dr Roberta and Martin Jull, Henrietta Drake-Brockman married the then Commissioner for the far north west of Australia, Geoffrey Drake-Brockman on 3 August 1921. While in the north west she wrote articles for the *West Australia* under the pseudonym 'Henry Drake'. The author of *Men Without Wives*, which won the Australian Sesquicentenary prize, Drake-Brockman also wrote for the theatre, and was co-editor, with Walter Murdoch, of *Australian Short Stories*. On 1 January 1967 Henrietta Drake-Brockman was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire for services to Australian literature.

### Events

#### 1939 - 1939

Awarded *Bulletin* Short Story Prize

#### 2067 - 2067

Appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire

#### 1939 - 1939

Joined the Sydney branch of the Fellowship of Australian Writers

#### 1941 - 1941

President of the Fellowship of Australian Writers, Western Australian Branch

#### 1956 - 1957

President of the Fellowship of Australian Writers, Western Australian Branch

#### 1938 - 1938

Won Sesquicentenary Celebration Prize for best full-length Australian Play *Men Without Wives*

## Published resources

### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Edited Book

Who's Who in Australia 1962, Alexander, Joseph A, 1962

### Book Section

Henrietta Drake-Brockman, Hasluck, Alexandra, 1978

### Resource Section

Drake-Brockman, Henrietta Frances York (1901 - 1968), Cowan, Peter, 2006,  
<http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A140709b.htm>

Papers of Henrietta Drake-Brockman (1901-1968),  
<http://nla.gov.au/nla.ms-ms1634>

## Archival resources

### State Library of Western Australia

[Papers, 1630-1967 \[manuscript\]](#)

### National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection

[Papers of Henrietta Drake-Brockman, 1882-1975 \[manuscript\]](#)

[Papers of Hazel de Berg, 1959-1963 \[manuscript\]](#)

[Papers of Paris and Anne Drake-Brockman, 1950-1998 \[manuscript\]](#)

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