

The Australian Women's Register

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Willmott, Joanne

(1954 -)

Born 1 January, 1954, Cherbourg Queensland Australia

Occupation Aboriginal rights activist

Summary

Joanne Willmot was born at Cherbourg, Queensland. Living at the mission and later attending a state high school at Ipswich raised her political consciousness. A mother at the age of 17, Joanne moved to Adelaide in 1971, bringing her baby with her. She began work as a secretary with the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM) where she experienced both the excitement of being at the hub of Aboriginal activism and her growing awareness of sexism. Joanne left ALRM in 1976 to care for her family but maintained involvement in many Aboriginal organisations before taking up full time employment again with the Women's Information Switchboard in 1983.

Published resources

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

State Library of South Australia

[Interview with Joanne Willmot \[sound recording\]](#) Interviewer: Barbara Baird

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