

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Sewell, Christina

(1882 - 1971)

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<b>Born</b>	1 January, 1882
<b>Died</b>	31 December, 1971
<b>Occupation</b>	Community worker, Teacher

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### Summary

Christina Brown arrived in Western Australia in 1896. She was one of the first students at Claremont Teachers' College, graduating in 1902, and married Thomas Blake in 1906. After his death, she became Western Australian's first woman sworn valuator, first woman to be a commissioner for declarations, and unsuccessfully stood for parliament as an independent candidate for Leederville-North Perth in 1927. In 1928, she married Augustus Robert Sewell, son of Frederick Sewell. She was an active member of numerous societies, most notably the Travellers Aid Society of which she became national president, and was awarded the Coronation Medal for social work in 1953.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Archival resources

#### State Library of Western Australia

[Christina Sewell papers, 1902-1969 \[manuscript\]](#)

### Author Details

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