

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** IMP0109

## Masson, Mary

(1862 - 1945)

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**Born** 11 July, 1862, Edinburgh Scotland

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**Died** 25 September, 1945

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**Occupation** Charity worker

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### Summary

Lady Masson was the wife of Sir David Orme Masson, Professor of Chemistry at the University of Melbourne from 1886 to 1923. She was active in university affairs and her memory is honoured at the university by the Lady Masson Memorial Lecture, which is given every 2-3 years. She was a foundation member of the Victoria League 1908, the New Settlers' League 1921 and the Country Women's Association of Victoria 1928 and also president of the University branch of the Australian Red Cross Society 1914-1919. Lady Masson regularly attended meetings of the University Chemical Society. She was appointed Commander of The Order of the British Empire (Civil) – 15 March 1918, for war work.

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#### Site Exhibition

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<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html>

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