

The Australian Women's Register

Entry type: Person
Entry ID: IMP0218

Carden, Joan Maralyn

(1937 -)

Born 1 January, 1937, Melbourne Victoria Australia

Occupation Opera singer

Summary

Joan Carden was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) on 13 June 1988 and an Officer (Civil) of the Order of the British Empire on 31 December 1981 for services to opera.

Details

The daughter of Frank and Margaret Ethel Gabriel (née Cooke) Carden, Joan Carden was educated at Prahran Technical School. She later attended Trinity College of Music (London) and the London Opera Centre. After graduating from the London Opera Centre she performed in the United Kingdom and Germany before joining the Australian Opera (now Opera Australia) in 1971. During her career Joan Carden sang Gilda (*Rigoletto*) with the Australian Opera, Donna Anna (*Don Giovanni*) at the Glyndeborne Festival and the Metropolitan Opera and Constanza (*The Abduction from the Seraglio*) with the Scottish Opera.

In 1987 Joan Carden received the Dame Joan Hammond Award. She was the recipient of an Australian Artists Creative Fellowship in 1993 and is Patron of the National Voice Centre at the University of Sydney and the Victorian College of Arts Opera.

Events

1981 - 1981

Performed with English Opera North

1980 - 1980

Performed at the Kennedy Centre, Washington

1978 - 1978

Performed with the Metropolitan Opera Tour

1978 - 1978

Performed with the Scottish Opera

1977 - 1977

Performed at Houston, USA

1971 - 2003

Performed with the Australian Opera (now Opera Australia)

1988 - 1988

Officer of the Order of Australia (AO)

1981 - 1981

Officer of the Order of the British Empire (Civil) (OBE)

1988 - 1988

Awarded the Dame Joan Hammond Award

1993 - 1993

Awarded Australian Artists Creative Fellowship

1982 - 1982

Performed with Miami Opera

1977 - 1977

Performed at the Glyndebourne Festival

1974 - 1974

Performed at Covent Garden

Published resources

Edited Book

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

Site Exhibition

Faith, Hope and Charity Australian Women and Imperial Honours: 1901-1989, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2003,

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

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