

ANNUAL REVIEW 2023



COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP SHAPING A BETTER WA



LEADERSHIP WA



OUR VISION

Courageous leadership shaping a better WA.



OUR MISSION

Developing and enabling inclusive and courageous leaders for the benefit of themselves, their organisations and the WA community.



OUR VALUES

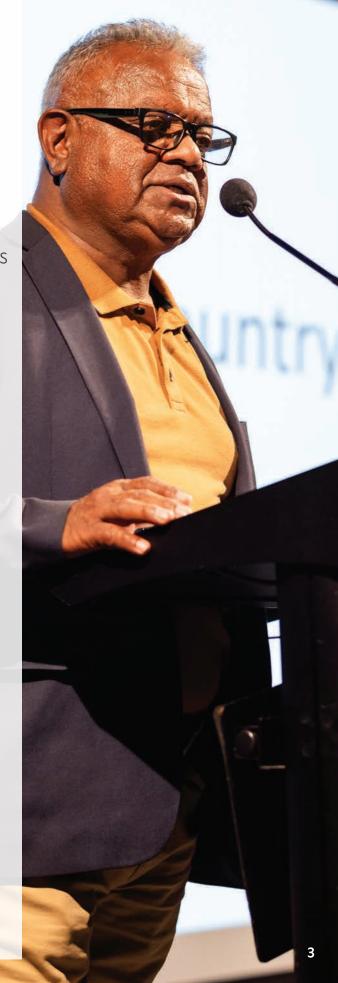
We connect \mid We empower \mid We are adaptable \mid We are exceptional

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands on which we work, and we pay our respects to the Elders past, present and emerging. We recognise the cultural heritage, the truth telling of the memories and the continual relationship with the land of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.





WELCOME

I'm immensely proud to reflect on another excellent year of achievement for our Leadership WA team, Partners, Alumni community and participants. Your commitment, collaboration and continued successes are helping to shape a better Western Australia for current and future generations.

Demand for our Programs and Courses continued to grow in 2023. We received a record number of applications for our Signature and Rising Leadership Programs and LeadAbility Course. Additionally, we were pleased to see growth in our Tailored Solutions business, as we partnered with even more WA organisations, working together to develop their next generation of leaders.

We also continued to make an impact in regional WA, growing local leadership capability with the delivery of the Federal Government's Leading Australian Resilient Communities Program in the Mid West and Esperance-Goldfields regions.

Throughout the year, our almost 1300 strong Alumni network continued to dedicate their time and expertise to support Leadership WA's Programs, Courses, events and the not-for-profit sector via the Skillsbank initiative. We are proud of our Alumni's contributions and thank them for their continued and invaluable support.

I would also like to acknowledge the Leadership WA team for their ongoing dedication to and passion for our mission, as they worked to build leadership capability in Western Australia.

To all of our partners, Alumni, friends and advocates, who extend our reach and impact, your support and belief in what we do is gratefully appreciated.

2023 was an incredibly successful year and transitions us well into our 20th anniversary in 2024. I look forward to celebrating 20 years of enduring connections and courageous leadership with you, in the year ahead.

Dominique Mecoy

Chief Executive Officer Leadership WA



FROM THE BOARD

The Board has been impressed by the high-standard of output delivered by Leadership WA in 2023, from the delivery of the core Programs and Courses through to the high-calibre Alumni events. This is evidenced by the incredibly strong number of applications and the significant levels of engagement within our community.

In 2023, the Board maintained its focus on the Strategic Plan, which was last reset for 2022-2027. We continue to plan and stay openminded to new challenges that may arise. We remain true to upholding the exceptional experience of Program participants and Alumni alike, strong financial stability, dedication to meaningful community impact, and increased brand awareness that will strengthen our position as pioneers of leadership

development within Western Australia.

At the beginning of the year, we honoured Leadership WA's 2022 Distinguished Fellow, Anjie Brook (Signature 2015) and Honorary Fellow, Professor Lyn Beazley AO. Both of whom were deserving recipients who dedicate their time and themselves to creating tangible change in our community. We congratulate and thank you.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express gratitude to Leadership WA's partners, supporters and donors who provide us with the crucial assistance we need to continue delivering on our vision of courageous leadership shaping a better WA.

I want to thank my fellow Board Directors and the Leadership

WA team for their dedication in providing the platform for the development of leaders and change-makers who are working to positively impact the communities across our State.

Angie Paskevicius Chair Leadership WA Board



2023 Signature Leadership Program Graduation

SIGNATURE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Signature Leadership Program is Leadership WA's flagship Program. It brings high performing senior leaders on an unmatched leadership journey that challenges them both professionally and personally, as they develop their own powerful and authentic leadership.

Over ten months, the 2023 cohort participated in unique experiences of leadership and self-development, with a focus on the issues in and opportunities for our State.

The cohort found inspiration in a variety of expert speakers and Experience Days, held at a range of venues and locations across the not-for-profit, corporate and government sectors. In addition, the Pilbara and Southern WA Field Trips remained a highly anticipated element of the Program in 2023. Participants heard from local leaders, explored the community, strengthened connections with each other and gained a place-based comprehension of life in regional Western Australia.

We were honored to hold the 2023 Graduation Ceremony at Government House. His Excellency the Honourable Christopher Dawson APM, the Governor of Western Australia and Mrs Darrilyn Dawson, Patrons of Leadership WA, acknowledged the value of the Program and spoke on the importance of strong leadership. Julie Freeman, Director & Business Manager at Redbrae Farms and recipient of the GGA CBH Growing Leaders Scholarship, was recognised by her cohort peers, as their elected 2023 Valedictorian.

We were also pleased to formally announce a new partnership with Edith Cowan University (ECU) and their Master of Business Administration (MBA) Program. This enables Signature graduates from 2020 onwards to receive credit of up to 50% towards an ECU MBA, upon the successful completion of the Program.

THEMES EXPLORED

- WA our State
- WA our Youth
- WA a Diverse State
- Innovating WA
- Health & Wellness
- Ethical Leadership
- Social Impact
- Justice
- Climate and Environment
- WA Culture and the Arts

IMPACTING COURAGEOUS LEADERS

"The Leadership WA Signature Leadership Program has exposed me to a wide range of individuals, organisations and experiences which have broadened my knowledge of both the challenges and the opportunities which face Western Australia.

This has been a wonderful opportunity to step outside of my comfort zone and expand my knowledge base which will ultimately help me to contribute to my region with a better understanding of the 'big picture'."

Julie Freeman (Signature 2023)

2023 Signature Leadership Program Valedictorian and GGA CBH Growing Leaders Scholarship recipient Director and Business Manager, Redbrae Farms

"This is one of the most memorable and impactful professional development experiences on offer anywhere in Western Australia. This carefully curated Program will challenge you and help you to explore meaningful ways of deepening your leadership impact.

Importantly, it will also give you the opportunity to connect with some of the State's most outstanding leaders, understand more about the key drivers and challenges of the State, and develop a new network of colleagues and friends along the way. I cannot recommend this experience highly enough."

Rhys Williams (Signature 2023)

Mayor, City of Mandurah

SELECTION OF OUR EXPERT SPEAKERS

Jonathan Carapetis

Chief Executive Officer Telethon Kids Institute

Kane Blackman

Chief Executive Officer Good Sammy Enterprises

Karen Brown

Non-Executive Chair Cannings Purple

Lanie Chopping (Signature 2007)

Director General
Department of Local Government, Sport and
Cultural Industries

Mark Abbotsford

Executive Vice President, Marketing and Trading Woodside

Christina Matthews

Chief Executive Officer WA Cricket

Hon Stephen Dawson MLC

Minister for Emergency Services; Innovation and the Digital Economy; Science; Medical Research Government of Western Australia





March 2023 Rising Leadership Program cohort

RISING LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Rising Leadership Program develops mid-career professionals to become authentic and impactful leaders. Delivered over six months and structured around a series of 12 expertly designed Experience Days, the Program uses evidence-based theories, tools and frameworks to foster new perspectives and thinking on leadership.

In 2023, we welcomed 56 leaders across two Rising cohorts. Participants expanded their networks, deepened connections, gave back to the community, and learnt how to extend leadership influence for the benefit themselves, their organisations and the State.

Each cohort worked collaboratively in groups on a Community Impact Project, aimed at positively impacting one of three United Nations Sustainable Development Goals within WA communities – Zero Hunger, No Poverty and Reduced Inequalities.

Our sincere thanks to the not-for-profit Mentors who supported the teams as they progressed their Project.

- Amanda Hunt (Signature 2007), 54 Reasons
- Carmen Acosta, Ruah Community Services
- Elise Jorgensen (Signature 2020), Mission Australia
- Grace Mugabe (Rising 2016), Financially Empowered
- Kate O'Hara, Foodbank
- · Jennifer Keen, OzHarvest

Rising Experiences are held at various industry venues across Perth, enabling participants to gain a first-hand understanding of the sector or theme being explored, such as Good Sammy, Deloitte, Royal Flying Doctor Service, Synergy and Construction Training Fund.

THEMES EXPLORED

- Authentic Leadership
- · Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Exploring HBDI®
- Creating Successful Habits
- Building High-performing Teams
- · Leading Change
- Communicating with Impact
- Culture and Engagement

IMPACTING COURAGEOUS LEADERS

"The exemplary leadership shown by those within Leadership WA, as well as the strong relationships I developed with my buddy and cohort, boosted my confidence and enthusiasm. The skills taught within the Program, and the knowledge shared by the variety of guest speakers, gave me a renewed sense of purpose.

I finished the Program feeling re-energised and equipped with new strategies and connections to take me into the next part of my leadership journey. Witnessing the growth of my cohort over the six months, I know that the future of leadership in WA is diverse, it is authentic, and it is bright."

Emma Gibbs (Rising 2023)

Academic Chair and Lecturer Creative Arts Therapies Murdoch University "The Leadership WA Rising Leadership Program has been transformative. My cohort included a diverse and inspiring group of fellow participants, each with their unique background and perspectives. The connections made with these individuals have been invaluable, as we've supported and learned from one another throughout this journey.

The Program's presenters were engaging and incredibly insightful. Their expertise and wisdom provided a wealth of knowledge that I will carry with me in my leadership endeavours. The lessons shared were theoretical but importantly practical, offering me a new lens through which to view leadership challenges."

Sarah Whelan (Rising 2023)

Lotterywest Aboriginal Leadership Development Scholarship Recipient Chief Executive Officer, Karratha and Districts Chamber of Commerce and Industry

SELECTION OF OUR EXPERT SPEAKERS

Ashley Reid (Signature 2007)

Chief Executive Officer Cancer Council

Judith Barker

Chief Executive Officer Royal Flying Doctor Service

Cameron Britt (Rising 2019)

Chief Executive Officer South Fremantle Football Club

Jessica Farrell (Signature 2014)

Asset President Nickel West, BHP

Brendan Twine (Signature 2018)

Manager Base Performance Qantas



June 2023 Rising Leadership Program Valedictorian, Dylan Hearty



April and September 2023 LeadAbility participants

LEADABILITY COURSE

LeadAbility is our highly regarded leadership course for people with lived experience of disability and those working in or supporting the sector. It brings together a cohort of participants who have diversity of background, thought and experience, underpinned with a collective passion for creating meaningful change in, and for, the disability sector.

In 2023, LeadAbility was delivered in two cohorts, empowering the leadership development of 27 individuals. Aimed at new and early career leaders and those looking to lead, the Course provides an accessible route to leadership development. It introduces the fundamentals of leadership and a toolkit of skills to empower participants to become more influential, confident and effective leaders.

The Community Projects, a key feature of the Course, provide a practical way for participants to lead change. Cohorts work within small groups to create an initiative with the potential to support and improve the lives of those living with disability.

Some of their innovative ideas included flashcards aimed at educating people on the etiquette of interacting with people with disabilities, a poster resource sharing the appropriate use of accessible facilities and a communications resource for first responders.

At two Graduation Ceremonies we were pleased to welcome Dr Katrina Stratton MLA and Chris Kent, a

Member of the Boards of the WA Disability Services Commission, People With Disabilities WA and Leadership WA.

We express thanks to our LeadAbility Mentors who assisted the cohorts with their Community Projects.

- Adrian Bautista (Signature 2022)
- Danielle Loizou-Lake (Signature 2019), Paper Planes Support Foundation
- Dawn McAleenan (Rising 2016), Crosslinks Inc
- Jane Forward, Valued Lives Foundation
- Jess Karlsson (Rising 2016)

We take immense pride in our 2023 LeadAbility cohorts, who have wholeheartedly embraced their journeys. These emerging leaders are driven, passionate and motivated to enhance the lives of those living with disabilities, both seen and unseen.

We express gratitude to the Department of Communities (Disability Services) for generously supporting the LeadAbility Course, and sharing our vision to build strong and inclusive communities.



IMPACTING COURAGEOUS LEADERS

Community of Practice

The LeadAbility Community of Practice is a peer support network which provides all Graduates of the LeadAbility Course with the opportunity for continued learning, connection and collaboration through regular e-newsletters and events. In 2023, we welcomed 27 LeadAbility graduates to the network.

In June, we welcomed Dr Amber Arazi, Senior Policy Officer at WA Public Sector Commission. In her presentation 'Leading with Purpose, Leading with Heart', Amber explored the steps and frameworks which would increase employment and development opportunities for people with disability across all organisations.

Amber shared her personal barriers to employment, and explained how the Public Sector Commission is working to build a public sector that is more accessible and inclusive.

In October, our Community of Practice Members and LeadAbility participants joined together to hear from Peter Dhu, Director, Corporate Communication Experts, who shared his expertise on 'How to be more confident and effective the next time you speak'.

Peter covered a range of topics including the role of a speaker, how to ensure your audience remains engaged, how to address confidence issues and fears when public speaking, and how to deliver a message with impact.

"I experienced such personal growth during my time at LeadAbility, due to fine-tuning my self-reflective practices, learning new skills, listening to the experiences and knowledge of brilliant guest speakers, and collaborating on a project with my cohort.

I have come away with increased confidence in myself as a leader, a renewed sense of determination to reach my goals, and a fabulous network of talented people."

Trae Flett (LeadAbility 2023)

2023 September LeadAbility Course Valedictorian Peer Recovery Worker Ruah Community Services

Leadership WA CEO Dominique Mecoy (left) with Trae Flett (right) at the September 2023 LeadAbility Graduation





October 2023 Aspiring Leadership Course

ASPIRING LEADERSHIP COURSE

The Aspiring Leadership Course is a four-day, interactive workshop aimed at early career leaders and those who are new to supervising teams or who are leading through influence. Aspiring introduces participants to the key concepts of leadership while delivering a practical suite of skills.

In 2023, the highly interactive experience welcomed 37 participants across the two intakes. Held in May and October, the latter saw a record numbers of registrations, demonstrating the growing impact of the Aspiring Leadership Course in WA organisations.

Using a game-based approach and the DISC® profiling tool, participants are engaged in a fast-paced, fun and collaborative leadership learning opportunity, which delivers powerful insights, increased self-awareness and methods for cultivating and contributing to high-performing teams.

Participants engaged in case studies, group discussions, activities, challenges and self-reflection. The use of the giant board game enabled the direction of learning outcomes tailored to participant needs, as they explored the fundamentals of effective and authentic leadership.

"The Aspiring Leadership Course was my first experience working with Leadership WA. The team are excellent at delivering techniques I have been able to immediately adopt within my own leadership practices. This included learning coaching and mentoring methods, understanding my leadership style and most importantly, discovering the vision and purpose that I imprint on my team.

I completed the Aspiring Leadership Course feeling confident, passionate and proud to lead my team at the Department of Communities."

Chris Foster

Aspiring May 2023 Manager - WA Seniors Card Department of Communities



October 2023 Aspiring Leadership cohort



LARC National Representatives at Government House, Canberra, ACT

LEADING AUSTRALIAN RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

Delivery of the national pilot Leading Australian Resilient Communities Program (LARC), continued in 2023. The Program, funded by a \$5 million Federal Government grant, was developed to support regional resilience, grow local leadership and drive positive change in rural and remote Australia.

As part of a national leadership consortium, Leadership WA partnered with the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation (ARLF) and the Regional Australia Institute (RAI) to deliver the free, place-based initiative in the Goldfields-Esperance and Mid West Coastal regions of WA.

In 2023, we built on the foundations of the 2022 Community Future Forums, in which Leadership WA engaged with local leaders. The LARC experience included two, 3-day intensive leadership sessions in each region, community impact projects, small group coaching sessions, a series of national webinars, and a graduate networking event that was live-streamed from Perth to events held in the regional hubs of Kalgoorlie, Esperance and Geraldton.

LARC enabled the reach of Leadership WA to extend further into regional Western Australia. With 60 participants across the two regions, a network of

local supporters and the opportunity to engage with both Leadership WA and ARLF Alumni, we broadened connections, met with passionate locals, grew local leadership capacity and established a greater awareness of our vision of courageous leadership for the State.

Upon conclusion of the Program, two representatives from each region attended a national event in Canberra. Our thanks go to our four WA representatives, L-A Shibish and Tracey Rathbone from the Goldfields-Esperance and Rohan Prowse and Ellen Nightingale from Mid West Coastal, who met His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor-General of Australia, at a Reception hosted to acknowledge the positive impact of LARC on the regions. This was followed by a workshop the next day where representatives presented to their peers and reflected on the Program.

We congratulate and acknowledge our enthusiastic and engaged LARC cohorts and their contribution to making a difference in their local communities.









SCHOLARSHIPS AT LEADERSHIP WA

Strong leadership development is vital to the success of our State. To ensure equitable access to this learning for sectors, organisations and individuals without the financial means to participate, the Leadership WA Foundation, in collaboration with our valued partners, offer a range of scholarships to facilitate diverse representation on our Programs and Courses.

In 2023, over \$180,000 was provided in Scholarship value. Our sincere thanks to our Scholarship Partners for your valued contributions.

LEADERSHIP WA FOUNDATION

Through the Leadership WA Foundation and with generous support from donors such as the Ragdoll Foundation, scholarships are available for small to medium not-for-profits (or suitable small businesses or sole traders) for the Signature and Rising Leadership Programs.

LOTTERYWEST REGIONAL ABORIGINAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP

These scholarships, supported by Lotterywest, created positive outcomes for regional Aboriginal communities by supporting participants on our Signature and Rising Leadership Programs.

GGA CBH GROWING LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Grower Group Alliance CBH Growing Leaders Scholarship Program offers two members of the Western Australian grain growing industry access onto our Signature Leadership Program.

MT BURDETT FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Mt Burdett Foundation offers scholarships for emerging regional leaders, who are passionate about enriching their community, for the Rising Leadership Program.

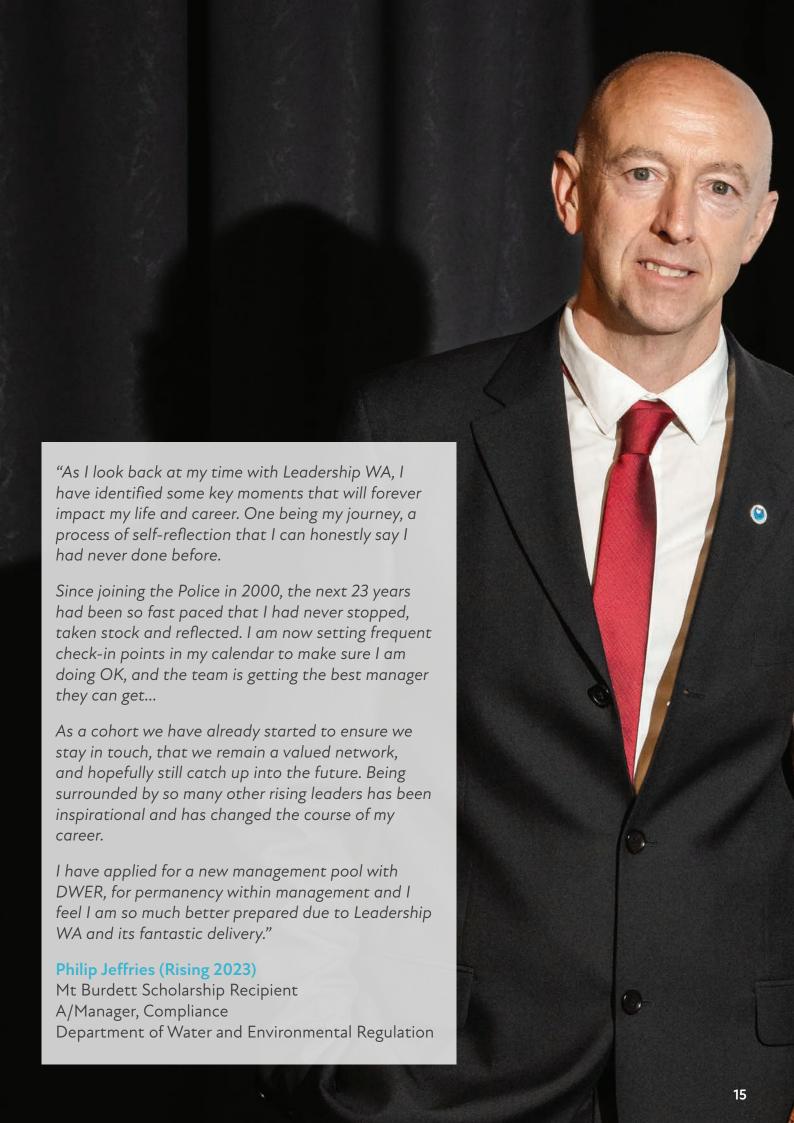
The Foundation's vision is to invest in new initiatives and people, to create vibrant and resilient communities to ensure a healthy future for regional WA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITIES LEADABILITY SCHOLARSHIPS

These scholarships are available for people with lived experience of disability, or those who work in the sector, wishing to participate in our Signature and Rising Leadership Programs and Aspiring Leadership Course



GGA CBH Growing Leaders Scholarship recipients Julie Freeman (left) and Simon Wallwork (right) during the Pilbara Field Trip





Tailored Solution at the Real Estate Institute of Western Australia

TAILORED SOLUTIONS

Leadership WA's Tailored Solutions are bespoke Programs which are individually designed to deliver a leadership learning experience customised to the specific requirements of an organisation and their unique challenges, culture and values.

In 2023, Tailored Solutions were delivered to a range of sectors and organisations, including member associations and not-for-profits, government agencies and GTEs and commercial and corporate clients. These included the use of psychometric tools such as PRINT®, HBDI® and DISC®, to help leaders better understand themselves, those around them and how to communicate and interact more effectively.

Across the year, our Tailored Solutions included organisation-specific leadership development modules and workshops, leadership reviews and executive-level growth strategies. Programs were also designed to provide a comprehensive suite of offerings for the same organisation, tailored to the needs of individual teams and departments.

In 2023, Leadership WA delivered bespoke leadership development programs for:

- Department of Communities
- Department of Finance
- Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation
- Department of the Premier and Cabinet
- · Foundation for the WA Museum
- Landgate
- PathWest
- Real Estate Institute of Western Australia (REIWA)
- Rio Tinto Australia
- Western Australian Local Government Association

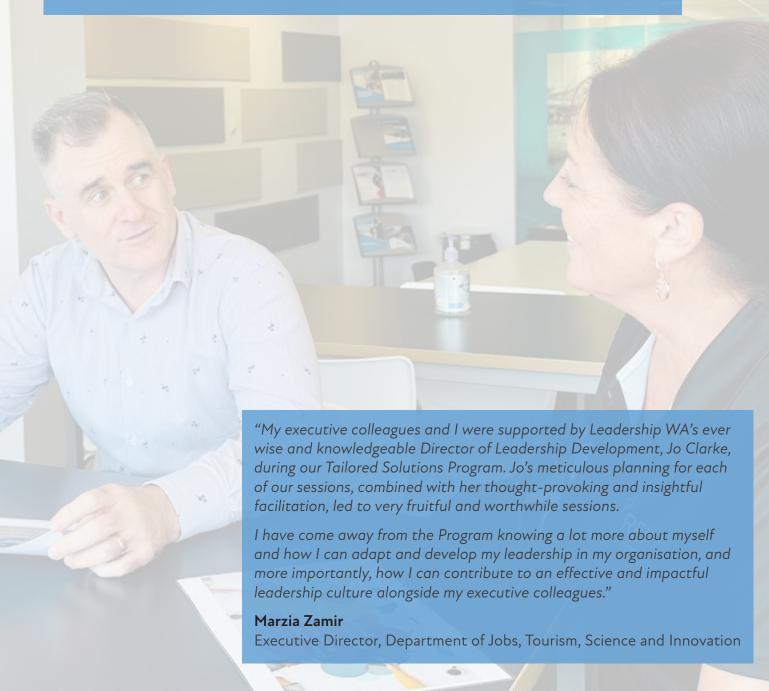
CULTIVATING CUSTOMISED CHANGE

"The Leadership WA Leadership Connections Program is thought-provoking. The invaluable insights from the PRINT® profiles have contributed significantly to my journey of self-awareness.

Leadership WA creates a unique and safe space for exploring various aspects and fostering personal growth as both an individual and leader. It's an enriching life experience that continues to evolve."

Poorvi Kalra

Digital Marketing Manager, Real Estate Institute of Western Australia (REIWA)





Alumni and Community of Practice Members coming together to provide input into the reform of the State's Disability Legislation

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Leadership WA Alumni and Program participants have once again generously given their time, skills and leadership to assist WA's not-for-profit organisations. In 2023, an estimated 3350 hours or the equivalent of \$1,004,700* of pro-bono professional support was provided through Skillsbank and the Rising Leadership Program Community Impact Projects.

The Skillsbank Initiative is an enduring part of Leadership WA, bringing our Alumni together with WA not-for-profits who are seeking support to advance their missions.

In 2023, we were proud to facilitate Alumni in assisting organisations including Orana House, Complex Trauma WA and Wheatbelt & Beyond Youth Mentoring Inc, in roles such as Board Members, Strategic Advisors and Mentors.

Community Projects

In 2023, the Rising Leadership Program participants consolidated and put their leadership learnings into practice by working in teams on a Community Impact Project. Over the year, the six Project teams were focused on impacting one of three United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in a Western Australian context – Zero Hunger, No Poverty and Reduced Inequalities.

The Projects offered participants the opportunity to

deep dive into how these issues are affecting the WA community and develop a project to positively impact this issue and improve outcomes for people with a lived experience within an aspect of the SDGs. Combining their skills and expertise, and with the guidance of senior leaders from the NFP sector, the teams devised, scoped and delivered projects which addressed: reducing food wastage, funding opportunities for food insecurity NFPs, better access to community services, provision of mobile devices for children in foster care, employment frameworks for people with autism and supporting children in their transition to high school.

If you would like a copy of the final reports and recommendations, please contact Leadership WA.

2023 Speaker Donations

Each year, we are privileged to welcome leaders to speak at our Programs, Courses and Alumni events. To express our gratitude to our speakers in 2023 for sharing their time, leadership wisdom and insights, we have proudly made a donation on their behalf to local not-for-profits, the Blue Tree Project and Financial Toolbox.





(* based on a basic professional rate of \$300 per hour and calculated based on known committed hours or assessment of typical commitment).







March and June 2023 Rising Leadership Program participants



Leadership WA Alumni at the WA Police State Operations Command Centre

ALUMNI

Our Leadership WA Alumni network now numbers almost 1300 leaders from across Western Australia. We are privileged to support this incredible network of leaders who share our commitment to lifelong learning and shaping a better WA.

This year, we were delighted to welcome 36 Signature and 56 Rising Leadership Program graduates to our Alumni network.

At the beginning of the year, we launched the new Alumni Membership model. Alumni's Financial Membership supports Leadership WA in deepening the impact of the Skillsbank Initiative and in delivering the annual suite of high-level, thought-provoking, topical Alumni events.

Membership offers Alumni the opportunity to continue their leadership journey within the rich learning environment of the Leadership WA network, forging connections and engaging with other WA leaders from across the sectors. There are a broad range of Membership options and, for the first time, non-Members have the opportunity to attend Alumni events on a pay-per-event basis.

Each year, many Alumni raise their hand to support Leadership WA and current participants as speakers, hosts, advocates, Rising Alumni Buddies, LeadAbility Mentors and more! We also thank all those Alumni who have volunteered their time to support WA not-forprofits through the Skillsbank Initiative.

Thank you to everyone who gave their time and support in 2023, your contribution and participation is greatly valued and appreciated.



Leadership WA Alumni at 'Developing an Ecosystem of Psychological Health and Safety'

REFLECTING ON ALUMNI EVENTS 2023

Throughout 2023, Alumni enjoyed a diverse program of events and experiences to stretch, inspire and challenge their leadership perspectives.

'An Evening with Leadership WA' was a wonderful evening of celebration in February as we reflected on all that had been achieved in 2022 and congratulated our 2022 Distinguished Fellow, Anjie Brook (Signature 2015), Executive Manager - Education, Youth and Leisure at YMCA WA, and 2022 Honorary Fellow, Professor Lyn Beazley AO, both recognised as selfless leaders who have shaped positive change in WA in countless ways.

In March, Tanya Sim (Signature 2017) led an insightful session on 'Why would I want to work for you?'. Alumni explored the importance of understanding an organisation's brand in the employee marketplace, identifying the unique offerings of each organisation and the role of leaders in living their organisation's values to attract the right talent.

Executive and Boards are charged with steering their way through complex moral questions and, at 'The Strategic Moral Compass: When things go off course', Alumni and guests delved deep into this topic with enthusiasm. Experienced Board members, Ivy Chen, Kerry Harris and Tony Walsh, challenged the group to consider both ethical and business considerations, with independence of thought identified as key to good corporate governance.

The responsibilities of leaders and organisations to manage psychological health and safety is increasingly under focus. We welcomed Tasha Broomhall, Director of Blooming Minds, in May, to talk to the importance of a long-term thinking approach in her 'Developing an Ecosystem of Psychological Health and Safety' presentation, to enable positive change in an organisation's attitude, knowledge and behaviour around mental health.

Also in May, LeadAbility Graduates, Signature and Rising Alumni took part in a special consultation experience, 'Reforming WA's Disability Legislation – Have your Say'. With WA's Disability legislation last being reviewed 30 years ago, this was an excellent opportunity for Alumni and Graduates to have direct input into the Department of Communities' current legislative review process.

Leadership WA welcomed Dr Craig Challen SC OAM, 2019 Australian of the Year, in July to share his story with graduates of the Leading Australian Resilient Communities Program (LARC), Leadership WA Alumni and special guests. This event was live streamed from Perth to Geraldton, Esperance and Kalgoorlie in celebration of the graduation of our Goldfields-Esperance and Mid West participants from the LARC Program. Dr Challen's address, 'Triumph against the Unimaginable', led guests through the planning, execution and leadership skills that resulted in the successful cave rescue of a Thai soccer team.

In August, Alumni joined the 2023 Signature Leadership Program cohort for an evening of networking and connection, ahead of this cohort joining our incredible Alumni network. In building cross-cohort connections, our Alumni network continues to grow and strengthen.

We ended our 2023 Alumni event program at WA Police's State Operations Command Centre (SOCC). Cameron Western, Superintendent, State Operations Command Division, delivered a fascinating talk on 'How WA Police collaborate for a common purpose of community safety', outlining the complex work undertaken at SOCC to tackle crime and work proactively with other organisations to better respond to critical incidents. Tony Sewell, GM Airport Operations, Perth Airport, reflected on the collaboration between the aviation industry and WAPOL during the COVID-19 pandemic.



CELEBRATING OUR PROGRAM GRADUATES

We are delighted to welcome 92 Western Australian leaders to our Leadership WA Alumni network. We celebrate the commitment of our Graduates, who have wholeheartedly invested in their leadership journeys for the benefit of themselves, their organisations and the WA community.

SIGNATURE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



Alexandra McMillan Royal Flying Doctor Service



Amanda Bolleter Department of Health



Anita Sharman Woodside



Department of Water and Environmental Regulation



Borhan Milani
Department of Mines,
Industry Regulation
and Safety



Brett Hovingh Western Power



Caroline Speirs
Department of
Communities



Claire Properjohn
Keystart Home Loans



Clayton Hanrahan BHP



Dave Andrews
Deloitte



Francois Langlois Ngarliyarndu Bindirri Aboriginal Corporation



George Sekulla City of Belmont



Huia McGlinchey Kwinana Early Years Services



Imogene Blair
Public Sector
Commission



James Giblin Synergy



Jordan Kelly North Metropolitan Health Service



Julie Freeman Redbrae Farms



Justin Michael
WA Cricket
Association



Kylie Kerin Kerin Consulting



Lina Di Virgilio
Department of
Finance



Maciej Szczepaniak
Public Transport
Authority of WA



Michael Veverka Horizon Power



Nadia Miraudo
Department of the
Premier and Cabinet



Natalie Sangalli Housing Choices WA



Rebecca Waters
Curtin University



Revle Bangor-Jones
Department of Health



Rhys Williams
City of Mandurah



Sam Penglis BHP



Sarah Renshaw Arch Recruitment



Shalini Saldanha Rio Tinto Australia



Sherri McIntosh Richmond Wellbeing



Simon McCarthy Woodside



Simon Wallwork Hacienda De Trigo



Tom Monks
Tom & Co Legal



Tracy Deveugle-Frink
Western Power



Vanessa Tran St John of God Health Care

MARCH 2023



Amy McKie
Western Australian
Museum



Andrea Downe Public Transport Authority of WA



Audrey Houghton
Department of
Communities



Buna-Tuaty Poelina Mens Outreach Services Aboriginal Corporation



Cassandra Livingstone Good Sammy Enterprises



Chantelle Murphy
Department of Justice



Crispin Tungaraza Mhando Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries



Curtis Reddell Brightwater Care Group



Dani Ramdhan Western Power



Daniel Norman
Department of
Transport



Ellis Atherton RJV



Emma Gibbs Murdoch University



Glen Dinsdale Western Australia Police



Harley Barron CITIC Pacific Mining



lan Chandler Department of Communities



Jade Balfour Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries



Kinjal Kakkad Department of Communities



Linden Bronleigh Western Power



Diaya Lope Casad Department of Transport



Rashanthi Wanigasekera Main Roads WA



HiSeis



Robert Wood Centre for Stories



Western Australia Police



Stephanie Reeves Superyou Therapy (PeopleKind Group)



Tammy Christie Richmond Wellbeing



Tim Goodier PwC Australia



Wesley McClay Department of Finance

JUNE 2023



Andrea Stefkova Pilbara Ports Authority



Ben Smith Corruption and Crime Commission



Caitlin Taylor
Department of
Communities



Chantal Langthorn Western Australia Police



Daniel Krebs MiClub



Dylan Hearty Horizon Power



Emma O'Shaughnessy-Black Department of Transport



Erin Marshall Avivo



George Lohse
Department of
Communities



Hayley Diver Holyoake



Jae Smith MercyCare



Jana Vuletich Department of Communities



Kevin Yee Main Roads Western Australia



Kirsty Champion Western Power



Larissa Muir 12 Buckets



Laura Jones Public Transport Authority of WA



Lisa Edenburg
Department of
Communities



Mari Takla Western Power



Maria Miceli The Smith Family



Philip Jeffries
Department of Water
and Environmental
Regulation



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After serving for three years as Deputy Chair and Acting Chair, Gail McGowan PSM stepped down from the Board in 2023. We thank Gail for her service. Leadership WA would also like to thank Amanda Branley (Signature 2012), who concluded her position on the Finance and Risk Audit Committee at the end of 2022, after six years of service.

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We farewelled team members **Charlotte Truman**, **Kym Irwin**, **Lakshmi Jones** and **Samantha Ball**, who moved onto new opportunities during 2023. We thank them for their contributions and wish them every success.

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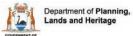






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