

2000s

Susan Keyes-Pearce (PhDEcon '06) was the first person to complete a PhD in the discipline of information systems in the Faculty of Economics and Business. Her thesis, *IT Value Management in Leading Firms: The Fit Between Theory and Practice*, won the Australian Professors and Heads of Information Systems award for the best PhD in the field in 2006.

Richard Looi (MPM '05) works as a manager in IT for the Australian government. In collaboration with his brother **Jeffrey Looi** (MBBS '92) he is writing up project management research arising from his degree.

Tegan Brink (BA '01, LLB '03) is on posting in Geneva with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. She represents Australia in negotiations on intellectual property, trade and development, and technical barriers to trade.

Elizabeth O'Sullivan (CertEdStud '04) graduated from the Sydney Kindergarten Teachers College at Waverley in 1979. She taught for two years at Tumut then travelled through Europe, and worked on a kibbutz. She scored a role as an extra in *Sahara* starring Brooke

Shields (her greatest claim to movie fame!). Elizabeth later married, had four children with her husband Terry, and taught at pre-school for 17 years. She lives with the family in Coffs Harbour.

My greatest claim to movie fame is scoring a role as an extra in *Sahara*, starring Brooke Shields.
– Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Emily Dunn (BLibStud '03) was a journalist for the *Sydney Morning Herald* arts and entertainment section in 2006.

Will Davies (BCom '01) has established a mortgage brokerage service at www.scoplending.com.au for clients in Sydney. His business colleagues include **Austin Curtin** (BEcon '02), **Alycia Inglis** (BCom '02) and **Georgie Fairlie-Cuninghame** (BEx& SportSc '02). Will runs monthly workshops to help first home buyers.

Kari Kristiansen (LLM '00) received a High Commendation from the Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission (HREOC) in 2006. Her commendation was awarded

for her individual and systemic advocacy on behalf of, and alongside, indigenous people and their human rights.

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David Roache-Turner (BEcon '98, LLB '00) is working in Geneva at the World Intellectual Property Organisation's (WIPO) arbitration and mediation centre. He is on leave from the Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts (DCITA) where he worked in copyright policy.

Tanzil Rahman (AssDipJazzStud '98, BEc '03, LLB '05) is completing a DPhil in economic geography at the University of Oxford. For the past two years he has held the post of musical director of the Oxford University Big Band (OUBB) and in April this year he led the band on a tour in India.

Bethany Evans (BA '96, MA '00) has launched a proofreading and editing business (<http://members.optusnet.com.au/~bethany.evans>) after spending 11 years raising three children.

Tony Luo (BCom '97) reports that his daughter, **Sophia**, started at kindergarten this year, and he commenced a career in

corporate banking with the Commonwealth Bank after spending more than nine years with the National Australia Bank. He says the new post is close to home and allows a better work/life balance.

Melissa Gee (nee Glover) (BA Hons '93, DipEd '94) is living in Hong Kong with her husband, Glen, and their two children. Melissa travelled extensively after she completed her degrees, and then worked at Gilroy College in Castle Hill for three years and Meriden School in Strathfield for six years in the modern languages department. She looks forward to returning to teaching in NSW in the future.

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– Tanzil Rahman

Kate Moore (BAgrEcon '96) worked in marketing and communication roles in Sydney and Boston after completing her degree. She has two children and is the founder of www.careermums.com.au, an online job classifieds service connecting skilled women to flexible jobs.

Meg Jones Ady (BN '93) was immersed in directing and writing a self-esteem presentation for teens in North America before taking a month off and discovering how much she enjoyed spending time with her 18-month-old daughter. She resigned her job and says being a mother is the most challenging, rewarding, difficult, amazing and significant job she's ever done.

Jeffrey Looi (MBBS '92) has been appointed associate professor and deputy head of the academic unit of psychological medicine at the Australian National University Medical School. He has recently returned from a stint at the Karolinska University Hospital in Stockholm, Sweden, where he established a collaborative research program on brain neuroimaging. Jeffrey was a recipient of a leadership award from the Australian Davos Connection Future Summit 2006.

Suzanne Leal (BA '90, LLB '92) had her novel *Border Street* published by Scribe in 2006. It is a story about life in beachside Sydney, in Nazi-occupied Prague and on Border Street, in a house a little too close to the landlords.

Gerda Tolhurst (DipHlthSc '91, MHLthScEd '93, PhD Nursing Education '06) has recently completed 16 years in nursing education

Caroline Wenborne (BMus '02, Dip Operatic Art '05)

Vienna calling

Just two years after graduating from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, Caroline Wenborne (BMus '02, Dip Operatic Art '05) has landed a principal position at the Vienna State Opera (VSO), considered by many to be the world's leading opera house.

Caroline was in Europe earlier this year on an Opera Foundation Australia Scholarship when she received a phone call from the Vienna State Opera asking if she could learn the role of Giannetta in *L'Elisir d'Amore* in two days' time.

"I grabbed my things quickly and went straight into the theatre and looked at the music for the first time at 11.30am," she said.

After a 48-hour marathon of learning and memorising, her debut on the VSO stage was met with bravos and requests for autographs.

"The performance was great, I felt very calm and focused and very comfortable on stage. The cast were wonderful and very supportive and it was so much fun," she said.

"The director of the Vienna State Opera, Ioan Holender, came to thank me and congratulate me." He also told her: "We might keep you, you have a great voice."

She has now received a contract to join the VSO as a principal for the next season – a extraordinary feat unmatched by any other Australian according to Maree Ryan, Caroline's voice teacher at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music.

Caroline, who speaks Spanish, German and Italian, "has a big voice with a beautiful upper register and the ability to float the tone," Ryan said. Caroline's development at the Conservatorium "was outstanding", enthuses Ryan. "She commenced her studies in the Bachelor of Music graduating with a high distinction and a standing ovation led by the Dean, Professor Sharman Pretty."

She went on to complete a Diploma of Opera, starring in leading roles as the Countess in the *Marriage of Figaro* and as Fiordigili in *Così fan Tutte*. "My experiences and the world class training that I received at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music are fundamental to all of my successes," said Caroline from Vienna.

"I have never felt that I lacked the training or skills required to meet the demands of the profession thanks to my years of training at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music."

Caroline Wenborne made her debut as Giannetta in Donizetti's L'Elisir d'Amore on 21 February 2007.



to work again in the clinical area. During her career Gerda has been instrumental in many changes to the practice of clinical education of nurses.

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Virginia Walker (DipCrim '85) won the 2006 Human Rights and Equal Employment Commission community award (individual) for co-founding the Bridge for Asylum Seekers Foundation (BASF). Virginia co-founded BASF in 2003 by rustling together a group of friends when she realised those released from Villawood Detention Centre were cut adrift with no rights or access to Medicare services. Since then, Virginia has built up a network of friends and supporters who have raised and allocated more than \$500,000 to provide a basic living allowance to families in Australia on bridging visas. See www.asylumseekersfoundation.com

Antonia Field (BA '81) has started a business selling Etruscan reproduction jewellery in sterling silver and gold. She says she is fascinated by the history of the Etruscan people in Italy.

Osmund Mwandemele (PhDAgr '83) has been appointed pro-vice-chancellor for academic affairs and research at the University of Namibia. He was founding dean of the University of

Namibia's Faculty of Agriculture and Natural Resources (1995–2003) and then founding director of the Sam Nujoma Marine and Coastal Resources Research Centre, also in Namibia.

David Hush (BA '80, BMus '80) has released a new CD, *Nesia*, published by LMA Recordings. The CD comprises nine compositions for stringed instruments and is available online at www.leopold-mozartacademy.com.

1970s

Jennifer Donovan (MBBS '76, MMedHum '06) says her graduation with a Master of Medical Humanities in 2006 was a fitting tribute to mark 30 years since she first graduated in medicine in 1976.

Bruce McLaughlin (BScAgr '74) worked in property development until 2003, when he moved to the Southern Highlands to teach science at a local high school.

Alexi Marmot (née Ferster) (BArch '71) was recently appointed professor of facility and environment management at the Bartlett Graduate School, University College London. She continues as director of AMA Alexi Marmot Associates, a niche firm specialising in evidence-based design.

Phyllis McLaughlin (née White) (BScAgr '74) has worked for the past four years at Tudor House Preparatory School in Moss Vale. She graduated with her MEd in 2004 and lives in the Southern Highlands of NSW with her husband Bruce and four children.

Cecilia White (BA '78, DipEd '79, MEd '96) is working in education at the University of Oxford. She is concurrently completing her psychology Honours thesis on the subject of human curiosity.

Stephen Kendal (BA '71) has gained a Master of Administrative Studies and a Diploma of Public Policy from the Australian National University, and a Doctor of Public Administration from the University of Canberra. He has spent over 30 years in the Australian public sector and two years as a private consultant, based in Canberra.

1960s

Dennis Buckley (BSc '67, MSc '68, PhDSc '71) has retired as director of staff and student services of the University of London but remains with the university as chairman of its superannuation scheme.

Gerard Carter (BEcon '66, LLB '71) has recently published *Rediscovering the Liszt Tradition* and *Liszt*

Sonata Companion with Wensleydale Press.

Elizabeth Deutscher (néé Fitzpatrick) (BSc '66) worked as an audiologist for the Commonwealth Acoustic Laboratory upon graduation. She later moved to the Central Coast and studied for a Diploma in Education from the University of New England, then taught secondary school mathematics. She has four children by her first marriage, and recently re-married. She is now retired.

Jean Crawford (BScAgr '64, DipEd '65) taught for many years in the ACT education system, and was involved in curriculum innovation and development. She retired with her husband, George Hegarty, to a farm at Pappinbarra near Wauchope in NSW, and is writing a book on the Crawford family history to be launched at a gathering at the family property Brownmuir at Congewai in October 2007.

Margaret Bradstock (BA '63, DipEd '64) has authored and edited 14 books of poetry, fiction and biography. Her most recent poetry collection is *Coast* (Ginninderra Press, 2005) and she recently edited Ada Cambridge's *Thirty Years in Australia* (Sydney University Press, 2006). Margaret has won several national awards for poetry, and was the recipient of an

Asialink literature residency in China for 2003. She is currently co-editor of *Five Bells* and an honorary visiting fellow of the University of NSW.

John Woodrow (BA '62) was an officer of the Commonwealth Public Service Board from 1962 to 1979, and attained the rank of assistant commissioner. From 1980 to 1987 he was first assistant secretary in the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations. From 1987 to 1988 John advised the ACT administration on the establishment of labour relations arrangements. From 1989 to 1996 he was the executive director of labour relations for the ACT government. He represented the ACT government in national wage cases before the Commonwealth Industrial Relations Commission. He retired in 1996.

David Lo (MBBS '60) has published an account of clinical medicine in the Northern Territory from 1965 to 1985. His book, *The Long Road to Territory Health*, is available through Charles Darwin University Press. More information at www.cdu.edu.au/cdupress.

1950s

Geoffrey L R Davis (MBBS '58) retired in 1988, grows begonias and hippeastrums, and catches

Brian Sheridan (MBBS '61)

St Vincent's celebrates

A partnership between St Vincent's Hospital and the University of Sydney that spanned nearly 50 years helped forge some remarkable achievements.

As St Vincent's celebrates its 150th anniversary this year, it will remember 1923, when St Vincent's was appointed a teaching hospital for the University.

"Becoming a fully fledged teaching hospital gives you a lot of status – it was a major step," says Dr Brian Sheridan (MBBS '61), chairman of the sesquicentenary steering committee and retired head of Head and Neck surgery at St Vincent's.

"In my day, if you wanted to do surgery, St Vincent's was the place to go. St Vincent's remains a strong surgical hospital as is shown by the developments over the last 25 years, with the heart and lung transplant unit and all the major advances," Dr Sheridan says.

The hospital is renowned for performing Australia's first heart transplant in 1968 by Dr Harry Windsor, and for performing NSW's first bone marrow transplant in 1975.

When Dr Sheridan first trained at St Vincent's in 1957, there were four student groups, with eight in each group.

"The composition was that you had to have one Asian and one female student, so there was an even spread across all groups! It was an intimate hospital, very friendly and supportive."

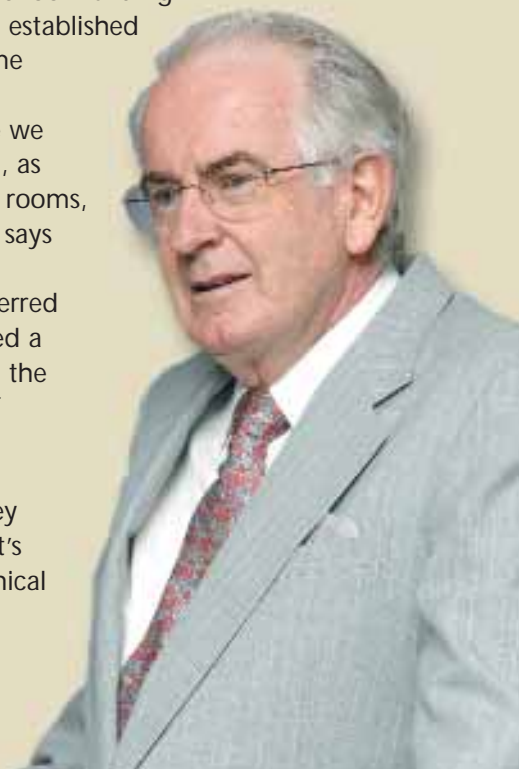
During this time, the new Clinical School Building and Medical Students' Residence was established and opened in 1964 by the then Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies.

"This was a major advance because we had a lecture room, a common room, as well as a pathology museum, tutorial rooms, a library and offices for clinical staff," says Dr Sheridan.

In 1968, the partnership was transferred to the University of NSW, which lacked a major teaching hospital. This allowed the hospital to gain a substantial share of \$23 million of government funding.

From 1923 to 1969 around 1000 students from the University of Sydney completed their training at St Vincent's and the relationship continues for clinical placements in areas including social work and nursing.

— Marie Jacobs



black bream in Sydney Harbour and eats them. He collects gramophone records and 78s. He says he still lives in the house built for him by John Young, who also built the old medical school at the University of Sydney and who put the marble floor in the Great Hall.

Stephen Smyth (BA '55) reports that his family has now gained nine bachelor degrees, three master's (one of which is from the University of Sydney) three diplomas and two Australian honours. His wife Eris was listed on Tasmania's Honour Roll of Women in 2006.

Phill Schultz (BE '55) has received the 2007 Chancellor's Medal of the University of Western Australia (UWA) for services to mathematics and to mathematics education in

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– Geoffrey L R Davis

WA. On completion of his engineering degree, Phill worked in the coal mining industry in the Hunter Valley for five years. He then studied petroleum engineering in France and the US, worked in the oil industry in Oklahoma for three years, and then switched to pure mathematics. He gained a PhD from the University of Washington in 1968 and returned to Australia in 1970. He rose through the ranks at UWA until his retirement in 2000. Since then, he has continued to teach and research on an honorary basis.

Neville Stephenson (BSc '50, MSc '51) was awarded a Canadian scholarship from 1952 to '54, and then enjoyed a research and teaching career at the University of NSW between 1954 and 1974. During this time he was awarded a PhD and a DSc. He joined the NSW Institute of Technology in 1974 as head of the School of Chemical and Earth Sciences, and was appointed dean of Science, 1975 to 1988. Neville has been an emeritus professor at the University of Technology, Sydney, since 1989 and an honorary professional fellow at the University of Wollongong since 2002. He was awarded a NSW Premier's Senior Achievement Award in 2002 and an OAM in the 2007 Australia Day Honours. He says he is probably best-known as the technical panellist on ABC TV's *The Inventors*.

Harry Hiller (BDS '53) has retired after 54 years working. He was 20 years old when he graduated, then worked in England, Australia and Israel. He says he's still young and well enough to enjoy sport, travel, and other hobbies.

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Shirley McGlynn (née Fraser) (BA '48) married the late John McGlynn (BSc '35), and was a librarian at the Department of Customs between 1951 and 1973. In 1974 she became chief librarian at the School of

Public Health and Tropical Medicine at the University of Sydney, where she stayed until her retirement in 1983. Since then she has researched her Irish grandmother's family, publishing *A Family on the Shannon* in 1994. Her elder sisters are Marie Berry (BA '39) and Joan Levick (BA '38). Joan was awarded a posthumous AM in 2001; a former language mistress, Joan became known as the writer Amy Witting, one of a number of Australian women writers with a street named after her in (Miles) Franklin, a new suburb of Canberra.

I'm now 91, and still teaching philosophy to children.
– Margaret Mackie

Ruth Roberts (BSc '47, DipEd '48) after graduation taught science mostly in girls' high schools in NSW, later becoming an inspector of schools in secondary science and agriculture – after 33 years' service. In 1966 and '67 Ruth studied on a Fulbright Scholarship at Oregon State University and was awarded a Master of Science. Ruth says she remains grateful for the education she received at the University of Sydney, and has many good memories.

1930s

Margaret Mackie (BA '37, DipEd '40) reports that she is now 91, and still teaches philosophy to children.

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