



## **INSTYLE CELEBRATES THREE GENERATIONS OF INSPIRATIONAL AUSTRALIAN WOMEN**

### **BEAUTY WITH BRAINS: ROBYN LAWLEY WINS READERS' CHOICE AWARD**

### **IN FRONT & BEHIND THE CAMERA: NAOMI WATTS SHARES ENTERTAINMENT AWARD WITH IMOGEN BANKS**

#### **INSTYLE AND AUDI SEVENTH ANNUAL WOMEN OF STYLE AWARDS**

**STRICTLY EMBARGOED TO 12.01am, Thursday, May 14, 2015:** SYDNEY, Wednesday, May 13, 2015: At last night's *InStyle* and Audi Women of Style Awards, 10 inspirational Australian women proved that style is ageless, with winners from the nine categories ranging in ages from 24 to 70. In front of a star-studded audience of more than 320 guests, Robyn Lawley was honoured with the prestigious Readers' Choice Award, and celebrated actress Naomi Watts shared the coveted Entertainment Award with acclaimed television series producer, Imogen Banks.

"The *InStyle* and Audi Women of Style Awards recognised 26 incredibly talented women tonight who are all leaders in their fields. Their achievements touch many of our lives in some way yet too often go unnoticed," said *InStyle* editor Emily Taylor.

"This year we celebrated women who not only excel doing what they love but do so with integrity and compassion. They have all embraced the ethos that with success comes responsibility. It's an absolute privilege to celebrate their achievements."

"A big thank you to Audi, our principal sponsor, and Georg Jensen, David Jones and Nespresso, our supporting partners, who helped bring such an important initiative to life."

Other award winners included Leah Purcell (Arts & Culture), Lorraine Foster (Fashion), Yassmin Abdel-Magied (Charity & Community) and Sibella Court (Lifestyle).

Marita Cheng, the founder of 2Mar Robotics and Robogals, received a \$10,000 *InStyle* and Audi Style Scholarship. Cheng intends to put the grant towards modifying the Teleroo—her video telephone on wheels, which saves time for and closes the distance between people, by turning remote callers into active "present" ones. Cheng dreams of adding robotic arms to the device, to open doors and assist people with disabilities.

More than 320 guests attended the ceremony. Guests included Asher Keddie, Jessica Mauboy, Lindy and Michael Klim, Jennifer Byrne, Silvia Colloca, Anna Plunkett, Jana Wendt, Gillian Armstrong, Camilla Franks, Marta Dusseldorp, Layne Beachley and Kirk Pengilly, Danielle Spencer, Sally Obermeder, Rachael Finch, Camilla Freeman-Topper, Brendan Cowell, Megan Washington, Jason Dundas, Leah Purcell, Michelle Bridges and Steve Willis, Terry Biviano and Anthony Minichiello, Samantha Harris, Laura Dundovic, Grace Huang, Abby Earl and Jesinta Campbell.



The full list of the 2015 *InStyle* and Audi Women of Style Award winners are:

**CHARITY & COMMUNITY**

Yassmin Abdel-Magied

**BEAUTY**

Jo Horgan

**LIFESTYLE**

Sibella Court

**ARTS & CULTURE**

Leah Purcell

**FASHION**

Lorraine Foster

**SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENT**

Dr Georgina Long

**ENTERTAINMENT**

Naomi Watts & Imogen Banks

**BUSINESS**

Janine Allis

**STYLE SCHOLARSHIP**

Marita Cheng

**READERS' CHOICE**

Robyn Lawley

All of the nominees were selected by *InStyle*. The winners were decided by the Women of Style judging panel, which includes Gillian Armstrong, film director; Layne Beachley, entrepreneur and environmental campaigner; Anna Burgdorf, general manager, Corporate Communications, Audi Australia; Collette Dinnigan, fashion designer; Deborra-lee Furness, actress and human rights advocate; Cassandra Kelly, chair, Pottinger; Nicole Kidman, actress and UN Women Goodwill Ambassador; Elizabeth Ann Macgregor, director, Museum of Contemporary Art Australia; Louise Olsen, designer, artist and creative director, Dinosaur Designs; and Jana Wendt, journalist and author.

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