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About the Advance Global Australian Awards

Celebrating Our Future Leaders and Innovators Around the World

Coinciding with the tenth anniversary of Advance, the Advance Global Australian Awards celebrate Australians living overseas who exhibit remarkable talent, exceptional vision, ambition and who are future leaders and innovators in their chosen field. They are the only awards to recognise the important contributions of the more than one million Australians living abroad as a brain resource to this country.

As part of our inaugural Awards, Advance has identified a number of industry sectors of particular importance to Australia and Australians:

- Advanced Manufacturing
- Biotechnology
- Creative Industries
- Financial Services
- Information and Communication Technologies
- Social Innovation

A non-Australian alumnus of an Australian university will also be awarded our special Global Alumni Award. A distinguished group of Australian provocateurs and pioneers, who themselves have made a significant impact on the global stage, have selected the winners.

Fostering the next generation of global innovators, change makers and thought leaders is also at the very core of Advance. Consequently, one of the most important aspects of the Awards is the Advance Global Australian Awards Mentoring Program. We invite you to read more about our remarkable winners, Selection Panel and Mentoring Program on the following pages.

Message from the Prime Minister and Advance Patron

The Honourable Julia Gillard MP

Each Australian living abroad represents a unique individual pursuing their dream and discovering opportunities our grandparents could only have dreamt of. Collectively, you also represent an asset for our nation.

You are a million distinctive Australian voices, taking our values and capacities to the world, building bridges of understanding with our neighbours and ultimately bringing home new skills that will enrich Australia's future.

Over the last 10 years, the Advance community has played a special part in bringing this diaspora together and also honouring some of its highest achievers. As Australia's largest global community, Advance plays an important role in bringing together the collective experience of its members to benefit Australia, Australian companies and other Australians.

Through its programs, Advance plays a valuable role in sparking Australian innovation and championing other Australians around the world.

The Advance Global Australian Awards are a perfect example, and are the only Awards to recognise the achievements of our one million Australians living abroad.

It is my pleasure to endorse these Awards and extend my congratulations to all the winners and nominees for 2012. You are remarkable ambassadors for Australia.

Congratulations to Advance on its 10 year anniversary and I look forward to hearing more about your achievements in the years and decades to come.

Message from Advance

At Advance, we celebrate the work of others — the thriving Australians abroad whose ambitions, curiosities, innovations, great potential and hard work have led them to experience the world.

Advance is a conduit for channelling this global experience to create the most positive of outcomes for Australia, Australian companies and all Australians.

We're championing Australian sparked innovation on the world stage, so that foreign nations may know that we're the birthplace of provocateurs and pioneers, entrepreneurs, artists and inventors.

We believe it is Australians - wherever they choose to live - who are perfectly positioned to advance Australia. By connecting, challenging, influencing, collaborating, inspiring and sharing their knowledge and success to make a difference.

The Advance Global Australian Awards has this aim in mind. We hope the human stories of our winners are both inspirational and aspirational for us all, and to their mentees especially.

Thank you for joining us on this special evening to both celebrate our inaugural Advance Global Australian Awards and Advance's 10 year anniversary. We commend the Australian Government, NSW Government, National Australia Bank and our private sector and university partners for their vision in supporting this important annual event, the first of its kind in Australia. We look forward to welcoming new partners at next year's Awards.

On behalf of Advance and our 22,000 plus members, we welcome you all to the Advance global community, and tonight's landmark event. We are excited to introduce you to our seven remarkable winners. See how they are giving back and changing the world in which we live.

Ken Allen AM
Founder &
Chairman Emeritus
Advance

Doug Elix AO
Chair
Global Advisory Board
Advance

Derek Youdale
Chair
Board of Directors
Advance

Serafina Maiorano
CEO
Advance

Awards Presentation Ceremony Proceedings

- 7:00 pm** Guests arrive
Cocktails and canapés are served
- 7:30 pm** Welcome by Anjali Rao, MC
Video address by the Hon Julia Gillard MP, Prime Minister and Advance Patron
Welcome Address by Ken Allen AM, Founder and Chairman Emeritus, Advance
- 7:40 pm** Entrée is served
- 8:00 pm** Category Awards Presented by Anjali Rao and the Hon George Souris MP, Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts, NSW Government
- Biotechnology
 - Advanced Manufacturing
 - Information and Communication Technologies
- 8:30 pm** Richard Fidler on stage In Conversation with Award winners
- 8:50 pm** Main course is served
- 9:30 pm** Category Awards Presented by Anjali Rao and Jillian Segal AM, Non-Executive Director, National Australia Bank
- Financial Services
 - Creative Industries
 - Social Innovation
 - Alumni
- 9:50 pm** Richard Fidler on stage In Conversation with Award winners
- 10:00 pm** Dessert is served
- 10:20 pm** Presentation of the Advance Global Australian Award 2012
Announcement of Advance Global Australian Awards 2012 mentees
- 10:25 pm** Tea and Coffee is served
Thank you and closing remarks from Serafina Maiorano, CEO, Advance
- 11:30 pm** Event close

Gala Dinner Menu

Entrée

Harvey Bay scallop with smoked bacon, pumpkin and squid ink vinaigrette

Main (alternate)

Poached Mulloway, winter organic root vegetables, basil pesto

Rangers Valley beef strip loin, ragout of beef cheek, parmesan, Swiss brown mushrooms, asparagus

Dessert

Chocolate fondant, salted caramel, vanilla bean ice cream

VEGETARIAN OPTIONS

Entrée

Heirloom tomato salad, fresh goat's curd, basil puree, lemon salt

Main

Semolina gnocchi, wild mushrooms, organic asparagus, burnt sage butter

BEVERAGE LIST

Wolf Blass Eagle Hawk Sparkling Cuvee
2010 Saltram Makers Table Sauvignon Blanc
2010 Saltram Makers Shiraz
Carlton Draught
Cascade Premium Light
Soft drinks, orange juice and water

Awards Presentation Ceremony Hosts



Anjali Rao

Former Anchor, CNN International

Anjali Rao is a multi award-winning television journalist who has spent 17 years in the top tiers of broadcast news and current affairs. Formerly an anchor at Sky

News in London, Anjali spent the last six years as anchor of CNN International's weekday breakfast show and host of the network's flagship weekly chat show, Talk Asia; both of which air globally to 220 million households. Anjali is best known to audiences for her no-holds-barred interviews with some of the world's highest profile personalities, including US President Bill Clinton, the Dalai Lama, actors Kevin Spacey and Gwyneth Paltrow, pop star Rihanna, armed robber turned best-selling author of Shantaram, Gregory David Roberts, sporting legends Roger Federer and Kobe Bryant, and fashion icon Karl Lagerfeld among many others.



Richard Fidler

ABC Presenter

Richard Fidler presents Conversations with Richard Fidler, a long-form interview program broadcast across Australia on ABC Local Radio and Radio National.

Richard has interviewed CIA agents, ex-prisoners, astronauts and the Dalai Lama. But he's particularly partial to people unknown to the broader community who have seen and done amazing things. In another life Richard was a member of comedy group The Doug Anthony Allstars, which played to audiences all over the world.

Entertainment

Bianca Chang

Bianca Chang is a young designer and paper artist based in Sydney, Australia. Inspired by the subtlety of tone-on-tone signage and the shadow-play of three-dimensional letterforms, she started working on a series of hand-cut graphic paper sculptures which she has since exhibited and continues to develop through gallery showings and private commissions.

The majority of her works are created by hand-plotting and cutting multiple sheets of 80gsm 100% recycled paper – minimising the impact of paper consumption and consciously transforming a typically disposable medium into a long term piece of art.

Bianca's work is an outstanding example of a young Australian making her mark on the world, and it is for this reason that Advance have asked her to bring her unique sense of motion and flow to their new logo. The simple metaphor of a ripple has been carefully chosen to represent Australia's global community of thinkers, innovators and provocateurs.

The simple device reflects the ethos behind Advance, as inspired individuals connecting with, and influencing, an ever-increasing circle of like-minded Australians. Each member will have their own ripple, and as each growing ring touches another, its journey is influenced as it's inspired to take new directions and keep connecting.

Sylvia Legowski

Sylvia Legowski is one of Australia's leading cocktail harpists. With a Bachelor of Music in performance and many years of practice, Sylvia has acquired not only the technical expertise and professional training, but also the flair and presence that is associated with first class performers worldwide. Sylvia is also an accredited member of the Australian Bridal Service.

Awards Selection Panel

Ken Allen AM

Founder and Chairman Emeritus, Advance



“In those fields of excellence that will be critical to Australia’s ability to compete in a global world, it’s good to know that some of our best and brightest brains are achieving so much overseas. There is a great need to recognise them and to connect them back home. They are a brain resource not a brain drain. We should not forget them.”

Ken Allen is the Founder and Chairman Emeritus of Advance. Prior to returning to Sydney in April 2006, Ken was the Australian Consul General in New York.

Awarded an Honours Degree in Economics, Ken joined Unilever and worked in Sydney and London in various marketing roles, before joining Slater Walker Australia. Ken started his banking career with the World Bank in Washington DC, later moving to New York with Merrill Lynch where he was responsible for establishing their investment bank in Australia, pre-empting his subsequent role with Lehman Brothers.

Ken is a Senior Advisor to Lexington Partners, a former Senior Adviser to UBS and a former chair of Talent2. He has served on the Boards of the NSW Treasury Corporation, the State Bank of New South Wales, the Film Finance Corporation of Australia, Omnicom, Australia Post and The China Institute in New York. He became a Member of the Order of Australia for service to the business and finance sectors, to international relations, and to the community through fundraising for charitable organisations.

Yasmin Allen

Non Executive Director, Insurance Australia Group and Cochlear Ltd



“I am both humbled and inspired by the quality of the candidates for the Advance Global Australian Awards. It has been a great privilege to be involved in the final selection process, which has not been an easy task. These wonderful ambassadors provide us with just a small glimpse at what Australians are doing on a world stage!”

Yasmin Allen is currently a non-executive director of Insurance Australia Group Ltd where she is Chairman of IAG’s Nomination and Remuneration Committee and a member of its Audit and Risk Committee. She is also a non-executive director of Cochlear Ltd and Chairman of its Audit Committee. Yasmin is Chairman of Macquarie Specialised Asset Management; a National Director on the board of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board.

Yasmin has more than 10 years experience as a NED. Prior to her directorships, Yasmin had an extensive career in investment banking; including Vice President of Deutsche Bank, Director of ANZ Investment Bank and Associate Director with HSBC in London. She has a Bachelor of Commerce from Melbourne University and is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Doug Elix AO

Retired Senior Vice President and Group Executive, IBM Corporation, and Chair, Advance Global Advisory Board



“We have some exceptionally talented Australians working abroad, who are not only achieving great things in a globalised world, but are passionate about giving back to Australia. The Advance Global Australian Awards is a very fitting way to recognise their talent and contribution to our nation.”

Doug Elix retired from IBM in July 2008. He was Senior Vice President and Group Executive for IBM's worldwide sales and distribution operations, covering 170 countries and \$95 billion of products and services. Prior to that he served as Senior Vice President and Group Executive for IBM Global Services where he was responsible for the worldwide operation of IBM's Services business and its 170,000 professionals.

Doug is an Australian, and from 1969 to 2000 held a number of positions with IBM in Australia and overseas. He has served on the boards of the Australian Information Industries Association and the Australian Institute of Management, was a member of the Business Council of Australia, and a member of the Board of the Royal Bank of Canada.

In June 2006, Doug was awarded the rank of Officer of the Order of Australia (AO).

Deborra-lee Furness

Actress



“As an Australian who has lived as an expat for most of my grown up life, I am so aware of how many amazing Australians are achieving incredible things and imprinting their indelible style all over the world.

I have been fortunate to meet many on my travels. There is a go-get-em, give-it-a-go spirit that seems to be in our DNA as Aussies. I was honored to be asked to participate in shining a light on many of these people and I am thrilled that they will be celebrated for their enormous talents and contributions in their wide and varied fields. CONGRATULATIONS to all of the nominees and winners.”

Deborra-lee Furness is an internationally acclaimed actress and a passionate defender of children and their human rights across the globe. She has won Best Actress awards from the highly regarded Film Critics Circle of Australia, the Variety Award and Best Actress at Seattle International Film festival for the movie Shame. She received a Best Actress Award at the San Sebastian International Film (Spain) Festival for her role in Waiting. She has appeared in many movies and worked extensively in television and on stage.

Deborra-lee's humanitarian work is a driving force in her life; in 2005, she co-founded the Rafiki Society in Vancouver, operational in assisting orphanages in Africa. In 2007, she founded a child advocacy foundation focusing on improving adoption programs, procedures and legislation in Australia and raising awareness and understanding of the issues for adoptive children and their families. This has facilitated the launch of Australia's National Adoption Awareness Week, currently in its fifth year.

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Michael Hintze

CEO, CQS Management Ltd



“It has been a great privilege for me to be part of the judging panel of these awards. The quality of the nominees is a reflection of the strength and depth of the Australian diaspora. They are all a great credit to Australia. Congratulations to all.”

Michael Hintze is the Founder, Chief Executive and Senior Investment Officer of CQS, a USD\$11.5 billion global multi-strategy investment management firm.

Prior to establishing CQS in 1999, Michael was a Managing Director at CSFB, having previously spent 12 years at Goldman Sachs. He began his career in finance in 1982 with Salomon Brothers, New York, after working as an Electrical Design Engineer for Civil and Civic Pty Ltd in Australia. He also served in the Australian Regular Army as a Captain in the Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.

Michael has significant philanthropic interests. To consolidate these, the Hintze Family Charitable Foundation was established in 2005. It has since supported over 150 charities.

Michael is a fluent Russian speaker. He holds a BSc in Physics and Pure Mathematics and a BEng in Electrical Engineering both from the University of Sydney. He also holds an MSc in Acoustics from the University of New South Wales, an MBA from Harvard Business School and received a Doctor of Business and an Honoris Causa from the University of New South Wales.

Bob Isherwood

Adjunct Professor, Vanderbilt University



“The calibre of the shortlist was incredible. Every candidate was remarkable. Category after category this award should make all Australians proud that we’re out in the world, making a difference.”

Australian-born Bob Isherwood is the former Worldwide Creative Director of Saatchi & Saatchi.

Bob’s work has been documented in many books and endorsed by the industry’s most prestigious national and international award shows. He won Australia’s first Gold Lion for cinema at the Cannes International Advertising Festival and is one of the few people to have ever won a British Design and Art Direction gold award for advertising. Bob has been elected to the Clio Hall of Fame in the US, and the Writers and Art Directors Hall of Fame in Australia.

Bob has served as President of the Film and Press and Poster juries at the Cannes International Advertising Festival. In 2007, he received the Clio Lifetime Achievement Award “in recognition of outstanding and ongoing contribution by an individual who is leading the industry forward.”

Most recently, Bob was Creative Chairman for the IAA/United Nations Climate Change Initiative and is now an Adjunct Professor at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, where he lives.

Andrew Liveris

President, Chairman and CEO, The Dow Chemical Company



Andrew N. Liveris is President, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of The Dow Chemical Company, a \$60 billion global specialty chemical, advanced materials, agrosociences and plastics company based in Midland, Michigan.

Andrew's 36-year Dow career began in Australia and has spanned manufacturing, engineering, sales, marketing, and business and general management. He has spent the bulk of his career in the Asia-Pacific region with key roles as general manager for the company's operations in Thailand, and president of all Asia-Pacific operations.

An advocate for the criticality of manufacturing, Andrew serves as Co-Chair of President Obama's Advanced Manufacturing Partnership in the United States, and is the author of *Make It in America*, a book which presents a comprehensive set of practical policy solutions and business strategies for reviving this important sector.

Andrew sits on the board of directors of IBM, and serves as President and Chairman of the International Chemical Company Association, Vice Chairman of the Business Council, Vice Chair of the Business Roundtable and a member of the President's Export Council. He is a trustee for the Herbert H. & Grace A. Dow Foundation, United States Council for International Business, and Tufts University.

Born in Darwin, Andrew graduated from the University of Queensland in Brisbane with a degree in Chemical Engineering. He is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering.

Wendy McCarthy AO

Executive Director, McCarthy Mentoring



"What a joy to be a judge for the Advance Global Australian Awards and to be inspired by our expatriates being innovative and creative, taking risks with new ideas and start-ups, and extending the range and experience of being

Australian around the globe. I congratulate all of them."

Wendy McCarthy is an experienced manager and company director. She currently chairs Headspace, Australia's National Youth Mental Health Foundation, Circus Oz, McGrath Estate Agents and Pacific Friends of the Global Fund. In 2010, she joined the board of Goodstart Childcare Limited. She has held many significant leadership roles in leading national bodies including eight years as deputy Chair of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

Wendy began her career as a secondary school teacher. In 2005, she completed a decade as Chancellor of the University of Canberra. Her national consulting business McCarthy Mentoring specialises in providing mentors to major corporations, the public sector and not-for-profit organisations. She is the author of seven books.

In 1989, she was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia for outstanding contributions to community affairs, women's affairs and the Bicentennial celebrations. In 2003, she was awarded a Centenary of Federation medal for business leadership.

Dame Dr Bridget Ogilvie AC

Fellow, The Royal Society



Dame Bridget Ogilvie is an Australian and British scientist. She was past Director of the Wellcome Trust when it was turning its attention to “public engagement with science” and the first Chairperson of the Medicines for Malaria Venture Board. Since retiring, Dame Bridget has continued to play a significant role

in public engagement with science and science in education. As both a trustee of the Science Museum and chair of the AstraZeneca science teaching trust, she was also Chair of COPUS, the former committee on the public understanding of science and Techniquest.

In the 1996 New Year Honours List, Ogilvie was made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire (DBE) and in 2003 became a Fellow of the Royal Society, a fellowship of the world’s most eminent scientists.

In 2007, she was appointed a Companion of the Order of Australia (AC), Australia’s highest civilian honour, for her work in the field of biomedical research.

Dr Zhengrong Shi

Founder, Chairman and CEO, Suntech



Dr Zhengrong Shi is Suntech’s Founder, Chairman of the Board of Directors and CEO. Prior to founding Suntech in 2001, he was a Research Director and Executive Director of Pacific Solar Pty Ltd, an Australian PV company engaged in the commercialisation of next-generation thin film technology.

In 2010, he was honored as a finalist in the Zayed Future Energy Prize for extraordinary accomplishments that reflect innovation, long-term vision and leadership in renewable energy and sustainability and in 2007 was honored as China’s Green Persons of the Year. In 2009, he received the Fortune Magazine Asia Businessman of the Year award.

Suntech Power is the world’s largest manufacturer of solar modules and continues to be recognised for its exemplary environmental and sustainability standards including by the 2011 Murphy & Spitz Global Leader Award at the World Economic Forum and in 2012 in the MIT Technology Review as one of world’s 50 most innovative companies.

Advance would like to extend a special thank you to Dr Renate Egan, Managing Director, Suntech R&D Australia Pty Ltd, for her ongoing and generous support.

Advance Global Australian Awards Mentoring Program

“Creativity produces innovation through connecting things not previously connected. It enriches society as new connections are made between people.”

— Ryan Mathews and Watts Wacker

At Advance, we believe that mentoring is a powerful tool that helps to build the clarity and self awareness required to be truly innovative. As part of our Awards program, we are pleased to launch the Advance Global Australian Awards Mentoring Program, matching undergraduate students with a 2012 Advance Global Australian Award Winner for 12 months of one-on-one mentoring. We congratulate this year’s winners and wish them the very best for their involvement with this program.

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2012 Advance Global Australian Award Winners

Saul Griffith

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING



“Saul is constantly sketching, tinkering, thinking about how to improve everything he touches. He sees the physical world and the tools we use to interact with it as “hackable”, so whatever he pursues, he pursues in a way

that reinvents it, or, as the poet Wallace Stevens said, “searches the possible for its possibility.”

— Tim O’Reilly, CEO and Founder, O’Reilly Media

Saul Griffith is the Founder and Principal Scientist at Other Lab, where he focuses his work on engineering solutions for energy production and efficiency. Saul first garnered attention as a graduate student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Media Lab, where he developed a machine that could mould prescription eyeglass lenses on demand for just a few dollars each. The technology is now being developed by Optiopia, a company he co-founded, to serve the estimated two billion people around the world who do not have access to professional eye care.

Saul has gone on to become the founder or co-founder of a number of companies, including Optiopia, Squid Labs, Potenco, Instructables.com, Howtoons and Makani Power, and has received numerous awards for his work in the field. In 2007, he was named a MacArthur Fellow and in 2011 a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader. Saul is a graduate of the University of New South Wales and University of Sydney.

Adeeba Kamarulzaman

ALUMNI



“Adeeba is truly an international authority in her area of expertise and is the most recognized academic in Asia on HIV prevention and treatment... she is richly deserving of this Award and more than exceeds the award qualifications not

only in terms of her international recognition but for the breadth and quality of her work.”

— Frederick Altice, Professor of Medicine, Yale University School of Medicine

Adeeba Kamarulzaman has dedicated her career to the prevention, treatment, and research of infectious diseases and HIV/AIDS. Adeeba’s passion began at Monash University where she studied Medicine, and then went on to train in Infectious Diseases in Melbourne. Upon returning to Malaysia, Adeeba established one of the first Infectious Diseases Units in the country which has become a leading tertiary referral centre for infectious diseases and HIV/AIDS.

In 2007, she established the Centre of Excellence for Research in AIDS (CERiA) at the University of Malaya, one of the few dedicated HIV research centres in the region. In addition to her busy clinical and academic commitments, Adeeba has been involved in the community response to the HIV epidemic. As President of the Malaysian AIDS Council (MAC) she successfully advocated for the introduction of evidence-based harm reduction programs to prevent HIV transmission amongst people who use drugs.

As the new Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Malaya, the oldest medical school in the country, she has added to her growing commitments the focus to train and produce world class healthcare practitioners and medical researchers including doctors, nurses and pharmacists.

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Christian Behrenbruch

BIOTECHNOLOGY



“Chris is one of those unusual people who are happiest with a foot both in academia and in industry. He is instinctively drawn to novel ideas, innovations and innovators, and new concepts.”
— Professor Sir Michael Brady, University of Oxford

Christian Behrenbruch is a serial entrepreneur committed to the development and commercialisation of biotechnology, healthcare IT and medical devices. He holds over 60 publications and patents in the field of medical informatics, biotechnology and nanomaterials.

Christian has established a strong reputation in both academia and industry. In 2007, Christian accepted a full faculty appointment in the Department of Medical and Molecular Pharmacology, David Geffen School of Medicine, at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). In parallel to his academic role at UCLA, he was a founder, Managing Partner and member of the Board of Momentum Biosciences LLC, a Los Angeles based early stage venturing and business advisory group.

In 2011, Christian was recognised by the World Economic Forum as a 2011 Young Global Leader, one of 200 individuals honoured by the WEF each year, for a five year term to explore issues related to global development and sustainability.

Christian completed his undergraduate studies at Monash University. He has lived and worked in the UK, Vietnam, Russia and France.

David Droga

CREATIVE INDUSTRIES



“It’s no secret that Australians are nomadic people by nature, but my colleague David Droga has long exemplified a particularly fearless taste for global adventure. His life story represents a series of unrivaled professional achievements that make him an inspiring role model for any Australian keen to make his or her unique mark upon the planet.”
— Andrew Essex, CEO, Droga5

David Droga is a strong believer of the power of creativity to make a difference. As Founder and Creative Chairman of Droga5, David’s unique and industry-leading work has positively impacted on the Obama presidency, the global water crisis and inner-city education, and created ground-breaking initiatives for some of the world’s largest brands including Microsoft, Coca Cola, Kraft, and Puma.

David’s international career began in Sydney, where at age 22, he became Partner and Executive Creative Director at OMON Sydney. David has since worked in Singapore, London, and New York, where he launched his own agency, Droga5, in 2006.

To date, David is the single-most awarded creative at the Cannes International Advertising Festival, with over 70 Cannes Lions, including 6 Grand Prix and 4 Titanium Lions. He has been inducted into the American Advertising Federation Hall of Achievement and was the first recipient of the Boards magazine Lifetime Achievement Award.

Jane Sloane

FINANCIAL SERVICES



“In Jane, women and girls across the globe have a redoubtable advocate for their wellbeing, their rights and their futures. Jane’s puissant feminism and pro-poor activism challenge us all to take action now. Most importantly, in all her work Jane listens deeply and works with people - constantly seeking out ways to allow women and girls to speak for themselves rather than have others speak for them.”

— Kate Hayes, Managing Director, Octo Consulting

Jane Sloane has long been committed to making a difference in the social sector, holding executive positions in organisations such as World Vision, Marie Stopes International, International Women’s Development Agency, and the Social Entrepreneurs Network, where she was the founding CEO.

As Vice President of Development with Women’s World Banking in New York, Jane helps provide women with micro-finance loans which they can then invest in education, health care and entrepreneurial activities for themselves and their families that will help them break the poverty cycle.

Her commitment in the field of human rights and public policy has been recognised with an Asia Pacific Business Women’s Council Woman of Distinction Award, a Churchill Fellowship, an Australian Government Endeavour Professional Award, an Australian Davos Connection Leadership Award, a Vincent Fairfax Ethics in Leadership Fellowship and a Vietnam Women’s Union Medal.

Jane has lived and worked in the UK, Indonesia, Fiji, and the US.

Tan Le

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES



“Tan is an exceptional entrepreneur and an inspiring and talented business leader... Her particular talents include a seemingly effortless ability to stay across all details in a range of different specialties

while maintaining the grand vision required to inspire others.” — Geoffrey Mackellar, CEO, Emotiv Research

Tan Le is Founder and CEO of Emotiv Lifesciences, a bioinformatics company, which lies at the intersection of cloud computing, huge data sets, mobile brain imaging technology and highly contextualised personal data.

She was a Special Visitor to the United Kingdom as a guest of the British High Commission and Foreign Commonwealth Office, a Goodwill Ambassador for Australia in Asia, and Patron of the Australian Youth Ambassador for Development Program. Tan has been an Ambassador for the Status of Women since 2001 and was awarded Young Australian of the Year in 1998. In 2009, she was recognised by the World Economic Forum as a Young Global Leader.

Born in Vietnam, Tan migrated to Australia as a refugee with her family in 1981. Tan started studying at Monash University at the age of 16. She went on to complete a combined Bachelor of Commerce/Laws (Honours).

Jeremy Heimans

SOCIAL INNOVATION



“Jeremy’s ingenuity, strategic vision, innovative thinking and intellect are at work developing and directing new fora, strategies and mediums for social and political participation needed to strengthen democracy. He has proven the power and role of online communities in advancing social progress.”

— Luis A. Ubinas, President, Ford Foundation

As co-founder and CEO of Purpose.com, Jeremy Heiman’s work has literally mobilised millions of citizens and consumers to help solve major global problems. Purpose has built global movements to fight cancer (with LIVESTRONG), and eliminate nuclear weapons in 20 years (with Global Zero, an initiative led by more than 200 world leaders).

Jeremy also co-founded Avaaz.org, the world’s largest online citizens’ movement, with ten million members. He also co-founded GetUp.org, the Australian political movement with more members than all of Australia’s political parties combined.

In 2011, Jeremy received the Ford Foundation’s 75th anniversary Visionaries Award. The World Economic Forum at Davos has named him a Young Global Leader and the World e-Government Forum has named Jeremy and Purpose co-founder David Madden among the “Top 10 People Who Are Changing the World of the Internet and Politics”.

Jeremy has lived and worked in the UK, France and the US.

About Advance

Advance is a community of global Australians who are able to make a difference for Australians, Australian companies and Australia around the globe. We believe Australian talent is one of our greatest exports and resources.

As Australia’s largest global community, Advance has a growing membership of over 22,000 in 90 countries. Advance annual programs include the Advance Global Australian Awards, the Advance Innovation Program, Advance TV, Advance Angels, Advance Global Summits and our regular e-communications.

Advance is a not-for-profit organisation headquartered in New York City, with further offices in Hong Kong, London and San Francisco. Advance is supported by the Australian Government through the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science, Research and Tertiary Education, with partnership from Australian State Governments, and global corporate partners and donors.

As we celebrate our tenth anniversary, we are delighted to share our new identity, which represents our vision for Advance.

ADVANCE PATRON

The Honourable Julia Gillard MP, Prime Minister of Australia

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Those very first ripples of support some 10 years ago was the beginning, and was made possible by the vision and generosity of our Founding Patrons:

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