The Museum of Australian Democracy in association with the University of Melbourne, invites you to join us at a national conference on Women, Leadership and Democracy in Australia.

The conference will be a forum for researchers, activists, politicians, community, business and civic leaders, and others interested in the history and future of women’s leadership in Australia.

Beginning with an opening address by Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, the conference programme will showcase the diversity of research on women’s leadership in Australian society since 1900. Speakers will explore the experiences of women who performed significant leadership roles at a community level, as well as the stories of Australian women who have provided leadership in multilateral organisations concerned with global democracy, such as the United Nations.

Another focus will be the portrayal of the lives of women leaders through material held in libraries, archives and museums. Other papers will look at women who have been leaders in the fields of entertainment, the academy, literature and the public service.

The conference will be held at the Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House on 1 and 2 December 2011. Registration includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea for both days of the conference.

To register to attend the conference, visit the University of Melbourne website http://shaps.unimelb.edu.au/research/conferences-seminars/women-democracy-australia/
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