Do you know a woman who is making a feminist difference?

Nominate her for an Edna!

Edna Ryan (1904–97) worked towards making a better world — especially for women. She had a lifetime involvement in campaigning for equal pay.

The EDNAs are awards for women who have made a feminist difference, i.e. whose activity advances the status of women: the battlers and the unsung heroines who show commitment and determination.

THERE ARE TEN CATEGORIES:

- WORKFORCE for improving conditions for women workers.
- GOVERNMENT for feminist activity in the political sphere.
- ARTS for creative feminism.
- SPORT for promoting the engagement and recognition of women in sport.
- LEADERSHIP for leading feminist changes in the public sphere.
- MEDIA/COMMUNICATION for consistent promotion of women’s interests in the media.
- MENTORING for sharing knowledge and ideas generously with other women.
- EDUCATION for a special contribution to the education of women and girls.
- COMMUNITY ACTIVISM for feminist activity in the community.
- GRAND STIRRER for inciting others to challenge the status quo.

The EDNAs are not awards for long-service or only for those who are well-known. Nor are they simply recognition of women who are successful in their own field.

The Review Panel requires evidence of each nominee’s achievements or actions which have improved the status of women, locally or in the wider society.

Nominees must be comfortable with being called feminist, and live or work in NSW or ACT.

The Edna Ryan Awards will be presented on the evening of Friday 18 October 2013 at Sydney Trades Hall.

For more information, the nomination form, and the list of past EDNA recipients, go to www.ednaryan.net.au. And you can find and ‘like’ the EDNAs on Facebook! Tickets for the Awards event can be booked through the website.