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Ron Castan Humanitarian Award 2014 Winner Genevieve Radnan

Genevieve Radnan is 23, the CEO and Founder of Gennarosity Abroad. Genna is also a Registered Nurse who works at the Emanuel School in Randwick.

Genna first travelled to Kenya at the end of 2009 after completing her high school certificate. She spent two weeks volunteering on an international program, teaching and building at Karunga's Primary School.

Genna founded Gennarosity Abroad in 2010 and its aims are to provide education, skills and vocational training, health, literacy, clean water, employment, aid relief, and support to the populations in Africa. Starting out as the dream of one woman, Gennarosity Abroad is a well established organisation that has completed several international development projects.



The first development project completed in 2010, was Karunga's Emanuel Kindergarten. The cardboard and wooden shack that had previously stood for thirty years as the kindergarten, was replaced with a new timber and iron sheet facility. The new kindergarten was built by a team of local builders and was expanded to house 45 students instead of the original 18.

The current project, Grandma Jenny's Training Centre offers skills training and services to illiterate women and girls. The Training Centre promotes gender equality by providing a quality school environment, promoting HIV/AIDS awareness, improving maternal health, promoting child protection, providing counselling services and increasing accessibility to clean water and sanitation. The Centre was designed using the UN 2015 Millennium Development Goals. Forty students are selected annually and are taught skills including English and Swahili, mathematics, financial literacy and about health issues.

About the Ron Castan Humanitarian Award

The awards are named in honour of the late Ron Castan AM QC who made an enormous contribution to the Australian public in general and the indigenous community in particular. The Awards seek to recognize Jewish individuals who have attained excellence and renown in their chosen humanitarian fields and whose actions, in addition to their achievement, embody the characteristics of Ron Castan that include wisdom, empathy, a sharp intellect, and graciousness. The Young Humanitarian Award seeks to recognise an individual under the age of 30.

Ron was a distinguished barrister and human rights advocate who played a leading role in some of Australia's most significant legal cases, such as the Gove land rights case; the Franklin Dam case and most prominently; the Eddie Mabo case which overturned the doctrine of terra nullius (ie that Australia was "empty land") recognising Aboriginal Land Rights in Australian law for the first time.

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