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## **Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC Governor-General of Australia to be guest speaker at International Women's Day Luncheon 2009**



Momentum Women's Forum is very proud to announce the Governor-General, Ms Quentin Bryce AC, will be speaking at the annual International Women's Day luncheon event on March 6<sup>th</sup> 2009 at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre.

The event is in support of the Women's Council for Family and Domestic Violence Services.

*Her Excellency's appointment as the first female Governor-General of Australia is an important milestone for all women and her message that women "can do anything, be anything" encapsulates the spirit of this event.*

*As such, Momentum Women's Forum is honoured to have Her Excellency as the guest speaker at the International Women's Day Luncheon of 2009.*

*Momentum Womens Forum director, Barbara McNaught says she also lives by Her Excellency's philosophy that women can do anything and achieve everything.*

*"We are looking forward to being inspired by Her Excellency on her first International Women's Day speaking appearance in Australia as Governor-General", she says.*

*The event will also announce the winner of MWF's Most Inspiring Woman of the Year award.*

MWF is a key partner of Cancer Council WA and has been responsible for signature, marketing and fundraising events in WA for the past six years, including the Pink Ribbon Ball which supports breast cancer research and Men in Black Gala Dinner in support of beyondblue.

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## Governor-General Quentin Alice Louise Bryce AC

- \* Born December 23, 1942 in Brisbane, Queensland
- \* Married Michael Bryce in 1964
- \* They have two daughters, three sons and five grandchildren
- \* Bachelor of Arts/Law from the University of Queensland
- \* One of the first women appointed to the Queensland bar in 1965
- \* Appointed the first Director of the Queensland Women's Information Service in the Office of the Status of Women in 1984
- \* Appointed Queensland Director of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission in 1987
- \* Federal Sex Discrimination Commissioner 1988-1993
- \* Founding CEO of the National Childcare Accreditation Council from 1993-1996
- \* In 2003 Her Excellency became the second female Governor of Queensland