



GLEN EIRA
CITY COUNCIL

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Glen Eira Mayor announces award winners

Council's annual *Community Awards* is taking a different approach in 2020. Glen Eira Mayor Cr Margaret Esakoff has announced the winners of our *Citizen of the Year*, *Young Citizen of the Year* and *Community Group of the Year* via a video message.

The *Awards* recognise the contributions of outstanding residents and community groups who, through hard work and dedication, have significantly contributed to the community.

Congratulations to the following winners:

2020 Citizen of the Year winner: Mary Torpy

Mary was announced the winner for her active involvement with the Glen Eira community for more than 30 years. She has contributed through music and sport, and has helped connect innumerable people to their community, young and old alike.

2020 Young Citizen of the Year 2020: Jonah Feiglin

Jonah was recommended as the winner of this category because of his self-motivation, persistence and determination to make a difference. He initiated a charity project in 2019 with his school and put in an incredible amount of hard work, successfully influencing a team of students to be involved.

2020 Community Group of the Year joint winners: Impact for Women and Access Inc.

Impact for Women was awarded for the work it does to raise awareness, and the contribution it makes to people experiencing family violence. This work has had an impact in Glen Eira and broader community over the past 13 years.

Access Inc. is awarded for the great work it does in demystifying disability, fostering belonging and helping our community appreciate the value of diversity. Access Inc. partners with adults with disabilities to achieve goals in areas that are important to belonging and having meaningful lives.

To watch the announcement, which includes a Welcome to Country from Boon Wurrung Elder Parbin-ata Carolyn Briggs AM, visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/about-council/news/latest-news/community-awards

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