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Annie Fogarty made a Member (AM) of the General Division of the Order of Australia

The sustained and outstanding contribution of Annie Fogarty, Executive Chairperson of the Fogarty Foundation since inception, has been recognised in the 2013 Australia Day Honours.

Annie Fogarty, who co-founded the Fogarty Foundation with her husband Brett in 2000, was made a Member of the General Division of the Order of Australia for ‘significant service to equity access and advancement of education in Western Australia’.

Over the last thirteen years, Annie and the Fogarty Foundation have partnered with a range of organisations that deliver projects and education opportunities that support people to achieve their potential and inspire community leadership. The Foundation provides philanthropic funds to support these projects and offers connections and knowledge to further leverage supported projects and partnerships.

In 2011, the Fogarty Foundation established a new education initiative, Fogarty EDvance. Fogarty EDvance aims to improve the educational outcomes of children attending schools located in low socio-economic communities, by offering high quality support to build the capability and increase the effectiveness of the Principal and the school. Last year, the first cohort of Principals participated in the program, selected from schools based in Girrawheen/Balga/Mirrabooka in Perth, Western Australia.

Annie serves on a number of boards and committees, including Roseworth Primary School (Foundation Member), The Fremantle Press, The Centre for Social Impact Advisory Group, Leading Learning in Education and Philanthropy (LLEAP) Advisory Group, the Centre for Public Education, the ECU Fogarty Learning Centre and The University of Western Australia’s Senate Development Committee.

In 2008, Annie was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Letters from The University of Western Australia. In 2012, Annie was invited by the Commissioner for Children and Young People to become an inaugural Ambassador for Children and Young People in Western Australia.

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