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## Interview with Ene-Mai Reinpuu [sound recording]

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#### Details

1 hour 27 minutes??Ene-Mai Reinpuu was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the Queen's Birthday honours list, 1998, for service to the Estonian community for more than 30 years, particularly as president and honorary secretary of the Estonian Society of Adelaide, and as honorary secretary of the Council of Estonian Societies in Australia. Ene-Mai Reinpuu, nee Prima, was born in Estonia. At 12 years old she left Estonia as a refugee with her parents fleeing the threat of Russian invasion. They arrived in South Australia in 1949. At 20 years old she married Villi Reinpuu, also from Estonia and they had two children. She works within the Estonian community in South Australia, organising and participating in the many social and cultural activities of the community, and providing support for its members. Her work has also extended to support for the independence movement in Estonia and fundraising for an Estonian National Museum.

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