

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Archer, Robyn

(1948 - )

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**Born** 19480618, Adelaide South Australia Australia

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**Occupation** Advocate, Artistic director, Director, Singer, Writer

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### Summary

Robyn Archer has established an international reputation as a cabaret artist and as an artistic director. She became the first woman to head a major Australian Arts festival when she was appointed Artistic Director of the Adelaide Festival in 1998 and 2000. On 12 June 2000 she became an Officer of the Order of Australia 'for service to the development of cultural life within Australia and its resultant international recognition, through her contribution as an artistic director, performer and writer.' She is currently the Creative Director of the Centenary of Canberra celebrations, which begin in March 2013.

### Events

#### 2001 - 2001

Inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Edited Book

Australian Feminism: A Companion, Caine, Barbara, Gatens, Moira et al., 1998

#### Site Exhibition

From Lady Denman to Katy Gallagher: A Century of Women's Contributions to Canberra, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2013,

<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/ldkg>

### Archival resources

#### National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection

[Papers of Robyn Archer, 1973-2013 \[manuscript\]](#)

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## Digital resources



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