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# Giesekam, Merilyn

(1950 - )

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| **Born** | 19500101 |
| **Occupation** | Political candidate |

## Summary

Merilyn Gieskam ran for election unsuccessfully twice. She was an Independent candidate at the New South Wales Legislative Assembly for Bligh in 1971 and for the House of Representatives for Sydney in 1975.

## Details

Merilyn Giesekam was an art student when she ran in 1971. She campaigned as an individualist in favour of a Bill of Individual Rights, unrestricted trading hours, the repeal of censorship laws, and free competition in transport, prisons, garbage collection, sewage removal, education, postal services, hospitals and other public utilities.

## Published resources

**Resource**
Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

**Site Exhibition**
Putting Skirts on the Sacred Benches: Women Candidates for the New South Wales Parliament, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2006,
http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/pssb/home.html

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