# The Australian Women's Register

**Entry ID:** Person AWE1866

# Keig, Juanita Elizabeth (Nita)

(1952 - )

**Born** 19520101

**Occupation** Journalist

# Summary

Nita Keig is a long time socialist and activist. As a member of the Socialist Workers Party she contested the following elections:

New South Wales Legislative Assembly, Balmain 1976

She also contested in the following federal seats:

House of Representatives, Grayndler, 1979, by election

House of Representatives, Sydney, 1980

House of Representatives, Oxley, Queensland, 1983.

#### **Details**

Nita Keig was editor of *Young Socialist*, the Socialist Youth Alliance newspaper, at the time of her first candidacy. She had previously been a journalist, and was later editor of *Direct Action*.

She was active in the anti-Vietnam war movement as a school student, and for three years was a nurse at Callan Park Hospital, Rozelle. In 1979 she worked at the Fourth International Centre in Paris.

# Published resources

## 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

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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