

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE3712

## Long, Retta Jane

(1878 - 1956)

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**Born** 18780405, Sydney New South Wales Australia

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**Died** 19561018, Sydney New South Wales Australia

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**Occupation** Missionary

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### Summary

Retta Long was resident missionary to the La Perouse Aboriginal Settlement before establishing the Aborigines Inland Mission of Australia. The mission was inter-denominational. Retta Long launched a monthly magazine for the mission, *Our AIM*. A number of AIM auxiliaries were set up around the country, and by the 1930s the mission claimed to be preaching to 11,000 Aborigines.

### Published resources

#### Edited Book

200 Australian Women: A Redress Anthology, Radi, Heather, 1988,  
<https://webarchive.nla.gov.au/awa/20071105022623/http://pandora.nla.gov.au/pan/78644/20071105-1315/www.200australianwo>

#### Book

Providential Channels, Long, Retta, 1935

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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