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Langton, Marcia Lynne

(1951 -)

Born	19511031, Brisbane Queensland Australia
Occupation	Academic, Activist

Summary

A member of the Aboriginal Bidjara Nation, Marcia Langton is an authority on social issues concerning Aboriginal people. She holds the Chair of Australian Indigenous Studies in the Centre for Health and Society at the University of Melbourne. During the 1970s she was active in the Women's Liberation movement, drawing attention to the oppression of black women. She continued to work for Aboriginal causes and became a key participant in the Wik Land rights negotiations which were conducted during the late 1990s. She has appeared in film and television portraying strong Aboriginal characters. In 1993 she was made a Member of the Order of Australia 'for service as an anthropologist and advocate of Aboriginal issues'. In 2001 she was admitted as a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia.

Events

2001 - 2001
Inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women

Published resources

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

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