

OCA Member Profile



Mary Marsland B Arch PSM LFAIA

As a respected South Australian architect, Mary Marsland has a wealth of experience in building and construction, project management, property management, the public sector and as a board director.

She was previously a director, and later Executive Director, of the Building Management sector of the Department for Administrative and Information Services (DAIS).

During her tenure as director, Mary was responsible in providing the oversight management and leadership role of transitioning the agency from an in-house service delivery, to the contracting of those services to the private sector and re-establishing DAIS as the manager of those relationships and primary contact with the building and construction industry.

Later, as Executive Director, her responsibilities included the major projects unit and for providing services in project management, property management (office accommodation and housing), asset management and building maintenance services to Government agencies.

Mary has chaired many boards throughout her career, including: Construction Industry Training Board; South Australian Housing Trust; South Australian Heritage Trust; South Australian Affordable Housing Trust Board; Joint Planning Committee for Government and non-Government Schools; and the Royal Australian Institute of Architect National Education.

On top of that, she has held a number of memberships on various committees and councils including: South Australian Greenhouse Strategy Building Working Group; Architects Board of South Australia; Australian Procurement and Construction Council; Australian Council and Building Design Professionals (SA Chapter); City of Adelaide Parklands Study Advisory Committee; and City of Adelaide Planning Commission to name a few.

Mary has also been Past President of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects (SA Chapter) and a non-executive director of Masonic Homes.

Although Mary's passion lies in architecture, building and construction, planning and sustainable development, and asset management, she is currently most active as Deputy Presiding Member of the Adelaide Parklands Authority, and as a Director of Access 2 Place — a community housing organisation.



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