

# SUCCESS STORIES \ PRESHIL OLD GIRLS AND BOYS



## ANTON GERNER

Attended \ Class of 1987

CV \ Furniture craftsman

Gerner's love of creation began at Preshil, where he discovered a passion and skill for woodworking. Preshil encouraged him to develop this potential and he now designs and crafts beautiful bespoke contemporary furniture for Australian and international clients. Gerner's unique designs blur the line between art and function; he was recently commissioned to design and make the box to hold Australia's first banknote. Gerner's uncompromising attention to detail, nurtured at Preshil, sets him apart. "I am obsessed with quality," he says. "Nothing leaves my workshop until I am happy with it."

(STEVEN PAM \ KARL VON MOLLER \ SUPPLIED)



## PROFESSOR SUSAN SAWYER

Attended \ Class of 1978  
(completed year 12 in Wodonga)

CV \ Professor of Adolescent Health

Sawyer spent most of her primary years at Preshil before moving to Wodonga High School. She also spent a year in Japan on a Rotary exchange. She studied medicine at the University of Melbourne, specialising in paediatrics, and has contributed to more than 250 publications. She is Professor of Adolescent Health at the University of Melbourne and director of the Centre for Adolescent Health at the Royal Children's Hospital. Sawyer was inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women in 2013.



## LOUISE DAVIDSON

Attended \ Class of 1984

CV \ Mother's Day Classic founder

After losing her mum to breast cancer, Davidson led the establishment and growth of the Mother's Day Classic, Australia's largest fun run. The event has raised almost \$20 million for the National Breast Cancer Foundation since 1998 and attracts 130,000 participants nationally. She has been inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll for Women. Davidson works for Cbus, the building and construction industry superannuation fund, as Environmental, Social and Governance Investment Manager. Davidson's three girls, Kaye, Lily and Rosie, also attend Preshil.



## DR BEN CLEVELAND

Attended \ Class of 1992

CV \ Researcher and lecturer in education and architecture (University of Melbourne).

With a love of learning fostered at Preshil, Cleveland found a passion for progressive education. An experienced school teacher, his research focuses on the design of learning environments that support contemporary educational philosophies. Cleveland creates innovative ways to educate young minds through linking learning and design. He completed a PhD at the University of Melbourne in 2011 and continues researching there as a member of the Learning Environments Applied Research Network (LEARN).



## Zahava Elenberg's journey started at Preshil.

Zahava's love of architecture and entrepreneurial spirit were nurtured at Preshil.

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