**Tech4Girls Digital Skills Workshop**

**Expressions of Interest close Monday 18th October 2021**

BPW Australia, in partnership with Commonwealth Business Women’s Network and GSMA, is pleased to be able to present in Australia the Tech4Girls Digital Skills Workshop program, as part of the EQUALS Global Partnership.

EQUALS is a partnership of over 100 global organisations, including UN Women and leading Mobile Network providers, aimed at bridging the Digital Gender Gap and increasing women in STEAM.

The inspiring goals of the program are, by 2030,

* To reduce the gender gap in internet access by 50%
* To ensure 60% of women & girls have a minimum level of proficiency in sustainable digital skills and
* For 30% of tech leaders to be women

We are excited by the opportunity to be part of this global effort to address a growing divide.

**Call for expressions of interest**

The Australian program will be delivered by Verizon and is aimed at young women aged 18-25.

The first step is a Foundational Digital Skills one-day workshop (free to participants), which will be held virtually on **Saturday November 6.** Participants will receive a certificate of completion, and become part of an International network of practice.

The intent is to equip young women with a skill set which will encourage them to pursue further training leading to formal employment in STEAM. Future plans include a mentoring program and an 8-week Advanced Skills program. Attendance at the first workshop does not commit a woman to attending any future session.

We have **60 places** available Australia wide.

**Criteria for participants:**

* Women aged from 18 to 25 years old;
* Who have basic digital skills literacy;
* Who have access to a laptop and the Internet so they can connect; and
* Who have a basic command of the English language to meaningfully engage throughout the workshop with trainers and other participants.

All expressions of interest must be received as per website, and all applicants will be contacted about their application by October 30 2021.

For further information please contact BPW Australia President, Email: president@bpw.com.au Tel: 0406 039 488

Applications in Arial 11 font, using the form attached, are preferred.

**Tech4Girls Australia Workshop Expression of Interest (page 1)**

**Please email completed application via email to:** president@bpw.com.au

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**Questions:**

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| 1. Why are you interested in this training? (limit 150 words):  |
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| 2. What would it mean to you to have completed this training? (limit 150 words): |
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| 3. Future goals and ambitions and how your studies will make a difference (limit 150 words): |
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**Current employment:**

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| Type of employment or business: |
| Current Qualifications (if any): |  |

**OR**

**Current study:**

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| Course enrolled in: | Current level: |
| Institution: |  |
| Current Qualifications (if any): |  |

**Please advise how you found out about this workshop?**

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| Name: | Organisation | Contact Phone: |
| Newspaper | Social Media | BPWA Website |  |
| Other (please specify) |  |

* I agree to make a best effort to attend the initial workshop on Saturday 6 November. ⚝ Yes ⚝ No
* I give my permission for use of my name and image to be published in promotional material in relation to the training. ⚝ Yes ⚝ No

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