

2018 Bio



Layne Beachley AO is widely regarded as the most successful female surfer in history. The only surfer, male or female, to claim six consecutive world titles (1998-2003). Layne then went on to win a 7th world title in 2006 before retiring from the ASP World Tour in 2008.

On Australia Day 2015, Layne was awarded with an **Officer of the Order of Australia** for her distinguished service to the community through support for a wide range of charitable organisations, as a mentor for women in sport and as a world champion surfer.

Layne achieved yet another first in Australian sport by becoming **Surfing Australia's Chairperson** in the latter part of 2015. She is the first former female World Champion of any sport to take on the role as Chair in a National Sporting organisation.

Layne is also the proud Founder and Director of her own charity, the Layne Beachley Foundation, **Aim For The Stars**, fostering courage and self-belief in young girls and women to achieve their dreams in a diverse range of pursuits including science, business, environment, sport and the arts.

In September 2018, more than a decade after winning her record breaking seventh women's world surfing crown, Layne returned to the water to **win an 8th world title**, becoming the **first female winner of the WSL World Masters Championship** with her victory in the Azores.

Now as a motivational speaker, trainer and mentor, Layne inspires individuals and teams to become the champion of their own life and achieve sustained success.

Her exploits are astounding, her attitude unwavering and her achievements inspirational.

