

# June Craig Awards show talent

**THREE** of this year's five June Craig Award winners were pictured with Environment and Heritage Minister Judy Edwards (back) at the award ceremony at Fremantle.

They are (from left) Christina Gilbert from the Collie office, Jay Gomboso from the Crawley office and Anne Cochrane from the WA Herbarium.

The awards recognise the work of women in the Department and help them enrich their careers with study and travel options.

Christina, a Forest Worker, is taking part in a cat eradication program, Jay—a senior policy adviser to the Director of Nature Conservation, Gordon Wyre—will deliver a presentation about WA's biodiversity conservation strategy to a Society for Ecological Restoration's conference in Canada, and Anne—Manager of our Threatened Flora Seed Centre - visited the Millennium Seed Bank at the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, London and tested the seed germination capacity of WA seeds stored at the bank.

Absent on the day were Jennie Cary, a Senior Marine Ecologist in the Marine Conservation Branch in Fremantle, who is studying ways to improve the level of public participation in natural resource management, and Ann-Maree O'Callaghan, a Regional Bushcare Facilitator in the Mid-West, who will study how rural communities can implement change and sustainable development.



*Photograph by Ernie McLintock.*

