

## **About Her World Woman of the Year Award**

Since 1991, the Her World Woman of the Year Award has recognised and celebrated outstanding women in Singapore, and it has become one of the most established and recognisable awards here with a distinguished list of winners. In 1999, the Her World Young Woman Achiever Award was created to honour remarkable women aged 35 and below – women whose influence impacts their immediate professional space and who inspire the community we live in.

## **Her World Woman of the Year Award**

The Her World Woman of the Year Award honours women who have made outstanding contributions to society in their profession or respective field.

- ❖ The winner must represent and project the best of Singapore, at home and/or abroad. Her accomplishments should leave a lasting impression on others, and she should be an inspiration and a role model to society.
- ❖ Her achievements must have had a broad impact on society or benefited a particular industry or field at a high level.
- ❖ She should be a Singapore citizen or permanent resident.

## **Her World Young Woman Achiever Award**

The Her World Young Woman Achiever Award celebrates the success of young women who push existing boundaries, inspiring those around them and paving the way for future generations.

- ❖ The winner must be seen as an inspiration and role model to society.
- ❖ She should have visible achievements and have demonstrated the potential to attain an even higher level of success in her chosen field.
- ❖ She is 35 years old or below at the point of nomination.
- ❖ She should be a Singapore citizen or permanent resident.

## **Judging Panel**

The winners for this year's awards were selected by a judging panel, after being shortlisted from a public nomination from December 2020 to January 2021. Chaired by businesswomen and 1999 WOTY winner Ms Jennie Chua, the judging panel includes:

1. Ms Joanna Lee-Miller, Publishing Director, SPH Media
2. Ms Khor Siew Kim, Secretariat-Legal, SPH Media
3. Mr Ken Lim, Executive Director, Hype Records Pte Ltd
4. Dr Alex Lin, Chief Technology Officer, Legend Logistics Group
5. Ms Pat Law, Founder, GOODSTUPH
6. Ms Olivia Lee, Winner of Her World Young Woman Achiever 2018
7. Ms Annabelle Kwok, Winner of Her World Young Woman Achiever 2019

## **Profile of Winner – Her World Woman of the Year 2022**



### **Her World Woman of the Year 2022 - Mrs Ng Gim Choo, Founder, Chairwoman and Group MD of the EtonHouse International Education Group**

Mrs Ng Gim Choo built EtonHouse as Singapore's first IB preschool from the ground up in 1995, when inquiry-based education was not widely accepted in Singapore. It was an uphill challenge establishing the brand in its early days, as there was an initial scepticism from parents who were better acquainted with rote-learning education.

With no professional education background when she started, she has grown EtonHouse into a leader in IB education in Singapore and Asia. The group currently has 40 schools in Singapore, and a total of 120 schools across 11 countries including China, Japan, Indonesia and Vietnam.

Gim Choo also leads all charity initiatives under the EtonHouse Community Fund (ECF). The organisation was founded in 2015 with the aim to make education accessible to every child in Singapore. Other initiatives include: Care for Diabetic Children, with KKH Health Fund; a partnership with government initiative KidSTART; Enrichment Sponsorship; and Internship for Youth.

## **Profile of Winner – Her World Young Woman Achiever 2022**



### **Her World Young Woman Achiever of the Year 2022 - Amanda Chong, Lawyer, Writer, and Social Justice Advocate**

Amanda is an accomplished multi-hyphenate – lawyer, literary star, and social justice advocate. She practices public international law at the Attorney-General’s Chambers and has served on the United Nations Expert Group on the International Legal Definition of Trafficking in Persons. She is also an active volunteer and advocate.

She co-founded poetry.sg, an educational resource for poetry, and is recognised as one of Singapore’s leading writers. Her poetry is studied as part of the Cambridge International GCSE syllabus and has been engraved on the Marina Bay Helix Bridge. She also is a co-founder of ReadAble, a non-profit organisation that equips underserved children and migrant women with literacy skills.

Amanda was awarded the 212th Commonwealth Point of Light in honour of her exceptional voluntary service in improving literacy rates by Queen Elizabeth II.