

Pam Catling our 2021 Bill Wilkins Volunteer of the Year Award recipient

A love of indigenous plants and local native bushland has led to more than 27 years of volunteering for Pam Catling.

Her dedication to protecting and enhancing our local environment has seen her awarded the 2021 Bill Wilkins Volunteer of the Year Award.

Pam has contributed to the significant preservation and rehabilitation of valued environmental areas through her involvement with Heathmont Bushcare and CRISP Nursery. Her volunteering efforts have helped propagate thousands of plants that have, in turn, improved the

health, biodiversity and ecosystems of our natural bushland areas, green spaces, and our local community.

In addition, Pam has also volunteered at Maroondah Hospital for 17 years and Delivered Meals for four years.

Named in honour of community stalwart and Freeman of the City, Bill Wilkins, the award is presented annually in recognition of those volunteers who inspire and

embody the spirit of volunteering through their exemplary contribution to the community.

The award was presented on December 8, as part of our annual International Volunteer Day celebrations. The ceremony was hosted by the Mayor and attended by all award nominees and those who nominated them.

Read more about the award on Council's website.