

Fact Sheet 3

Governor's Ceremonial Role



GOVERNMENT HOUSE
QUEENSLAND

Welcoming visitors

On behalf of Queenslanders, the Governor formally receives at Government House visiting Heads of State, and Ambassadors and High Commissioners of foreign countries which have a diplomatic presence in Australia.



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The Governor represents all Queenslanders when participating in events of State and national significance, many of which involve substantial ceremony and protocols.

In this capacity, the Governor plays a leading role in formal parliamentary events such as the ceremonial opening of the Queensland Parliament.

Also in this capacity, the Governor leads the community in ANZAC Day commemorations and Australia Day celebrations, and presides at important military and police parades and ceremonies.

A further important, high profile ceremonial role is the Governor's presentation to Queensland residents of honours and awards under the Australian Honours System,

including Order of Australia and bravery awards.

The Governor is also often invited to officially open major buildings, institutions, conferences and festivals in Queensland.

The Governor's presence lends profile and status to these events, marking them out as particularly important for Queensland and its communities.



The Governor presents Australian honours and awards to worthy recipients.