



June (Finlayson) Montague '52 (1935 - 1979)

June left Kambala in 1952 and four years later she was crowned Miss Australia. In this role she raised £95,000 for the Australian Cerebral Palsy Association. She also toured the country and the world. When she returned to Australia she was seen as a fashion icon. The Miss Australian Quest claimed to be more than a beauty contest, awarding June for her personality, enthusiasm, and flairs stating that,

“It aims to find a girl who has the unaffected poise and personality, the friendliness, and the charm of the girls who have so ably represented Australia”.

June appeared on the New York TV show called *What's My Line?* which had an audience of around 43 million people. In 1957, she remarked, “I am very excited at the thought of this wonderful trip ahead of me and I am very aware of the responsibility I have in representing my country, and will at all times do my best to justify the faith that the whole nation has in me”.