

“Why Walk When You Can Fly? Taking Your Life Experiences and Making a Positive Difference in the World”

Anne Audain is a New Zealand native and USA citizen. As a track athlete she qualified for six Olympic Games, set a world record in the 5000m, won Gold and Silver medals in the Commonwealth Games, became the first female professional runner and won most of the major US road races in the 1980's.

She is an MBE (Member of the British Empire) recipient from Queen Elizabeth II. for her services to sport worldwide.

Anne has the unique honor of being an inductee into 2 Hall's of Fame in 2 nations: The Running USA Hall in 2008 and the New Zealand Hall in 2009.

Before her athletic accomplishments, Anne who was adopted at birth had to overcome severe bone deformities of both feet by having reconstructive surgery done at age 13 years.

She became an elementary school teacher at age 20 years before coming to the USA in 1981 to pursue a sporting career.

On retirement in 1992, she founded the Idaho Women's Fitness Celebration now the largest event of it's kind for women and children in the USA. She is the author of "Uncommon Heart," her biography published in 2000.

Anne will speak of her life experiences as her best credentials. She will motivate you with her stories about her transition from an elementary school teacher to world record holder to event director.

Anne couples her early trials and sports triumphs with her background as a teacher to inspire others. Her message shows what a focused person can achieve with effort.

Anne now lives in Evansville, Indiana and often gets asked, "How on earth did you get here?" Her response is the often used quote "Life is a journey not a destination". Her story will help you realize the road from your dreams to your success is shorter than you think.

