



International Women's Day:

tribute to remarkable women.

On the occasion of this International Women's Day, Korian has chosen to honour remarkable women, through their journeys, their commitment, their personalities - women who reflect the diversity and richness of our society, women who can serve as examples and sources of inspiration for the younger generations.

First, there is [Claudia](#), Director of Korian's National Home Hospitalization network, who entered the world of work without a diploma by cleaning hospital rooms. Thanks to her determination and perseverance, she has become, through qualifying training, one of the most recognized experts in her field.

Then there is [Louise](#), who has golden fingers. Passionate about knitting, this resident has become involved in an association that helps disadvantaged young mothers by making clothes for newborns.

There is also [Valérie](#), nurse coordinator and writer, whose latest book, inspired by her professional practice, is entitled *L'Âge Fragile*.

Finally, there is [Jeannine](#) who, at 95 years of age, following an unchanging ritual, holds a 'salon' every day in the house where she lives, bringing together residents, carers and visitors to exchange and comment on current events with good humour. She has thus created a convivial meeting place, a social network in its own right.

We will continue this series of portraits throughout 2019 and I would like to thank the Korian network across Europe for its support and mobilization.

At the same time, the Korian Foundation for Ageing Well is engaged in an oral memory campaign with Sophie Pillods, winner of the Korian Foundation prize in 2018, from the association "*Les Oreilles en balade*", who will produce a series of 8 portraits featuring people now residing in retirement homes. These portraits will be devoted to the construction of women's rights over the past decades.

Working for an open and inclusive society that recognizes the place and talents of everyone, regardless of gender, age, health status and/or origin, is our common ambition. Through these initiatives, we, the men and women of Korian, are happy to be able to contribute to this project.

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