

GEORGE GREER MEMORIAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE PRIZE

Purpose of Prize

This prize (est. 2013) is awarded in memory of George Greer, a much loved and respected Head of Music from 1947 to 1952. His dedication to the Music program saw it expand rapidly. Under Greer's influence the Avondale Symphonic Choir was established and gained national recognition for choral excellence.

Selection Criteria

The prize shall be awarded on the basis of the following criteria:

- 1. A student in the second or higher year of a BA or equivalent degree (including double degrees built on the BA) with a major, specialisation or double major in Music.
- 2. Academic performance by a student in a given academic year will have met the following requirements:
 - a. Undertaken a full-time study load of at least four units in each semester.
 - b. Passed all subjects.
 - c. Achieved an average grade of at least 75% across all music units studied in the reference year.
 - d. Achieved the highest average grade across all music units studied in the reference year.
 - e. Reflect the values and expectations of an Avondale student, exhibit reliability, diligence, honesty and a positive attitude to work and studies. Failure to maintain these values may lead to forfeiture of the prize.

Administration of Prize

- 1. Each year the Prizes Coordinator will confer with Avondale's business office to ascertain the balance of the Evensong Concerts & Events Reserve, to ensure monies are available for the current year, then confer with the Director of Music. In 2016 it was determined the principal supporting this prize means it has a limited life.
- Any changes to the criteria will be forwarded by the Prizes Coordinator to the Scholarships and Prizes Committee, and once approved, will be uploaded to the Avondale website.
- 3. Nominations for the prize shall be made by the Head of School in consultation with the Director of Music and the music lecturers and will include a review of the nominee's academic record.
- 4. The prize is conditional on the student's continued enrolment in a BA or equivalent degree (including double degrees built on the BA) with a major, specialisation or double major in Music.
- 5. In the absence of a student who fits the criteria, a prize may not be granted. In the event of one or more students equally qualifying for the prize, the prize may be shared between students.
- 6. The name/s will be presented to the Learning and Teaching Committee for final approval.

Sponsorship

The sponsorship is provided from offerings collected at Evensong, concerts and events and shall be provided by way of a pre-paid gift card to the value of \$500 (determined annually on available funds) along with the recipient's name engraved on the perpetual shield.

Presentation of Prize

The prize will be presented during the year-end graduation ceremony. Prize recipients who are not graduating in the current year will receive their prize at the Welcome to Avondale ceremony at the commencement of the next academic year.

Citation

The AVONDALE CONSERVATORIUM GEORGE GREER MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE is awarded

for academic excellence in both musicology and performance in the musical activities of the Avondale Conservatorium.

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