

George Turner Wilson Music Trust Scholarship - Senior Award

Code:	78
Faculty:	Arts and Education
Applicable study:	Music Students completing degrees or diplomas specialising in performance
Closing date:	2 October 2025
Tenure:	One year (possibly two on re-application)
For:	Skills improvement overseas
Number on offer:	One
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to \$2,500 pa

Description

The Award was established in 1991, in memory of George Turner Wilson, to assist students to further their musical education overseas.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Applicants will be required to attend an examination in Performance
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

Regulations

1. The Award will be known as the George Turner Wilson Music Trust Scholarship – Senior Award.
2. One Award may be made each year, up to a total of \$2,500 per annum inclusive of examiners' fees or such other sum as the Trustees may, from time to time, nominate. Recipients of the Award may reapply for the Award in the following year but not thereafter.
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, applicants must be i) under the age of 30 years at the time of application, ii) a New Zealand citizen, iii) have completed, or will complete in the year of application, a Bachelor of Music (BMus) or associated conjoint degree specialising in Creative Practice: Classical, Creative Practice: Jazz or Creative Practice: Popular Music, a Bachelor of Music (Honours), a Postgraduate Diploma in Music or a Master of Music at the University of Auckland, and iv) intending to improve instrumental or vocal skills overseas.
4. The basis of selection will be an examination in Performance, the proposed study plans and itinerary, and financial need (see Note I). The time allowed for each examination will not exceed twenty minutes.
5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the School of Music (or nominee), and two members of academic staff of the School of Music nominated by the Head of School.

6. To be paid the Award, awardees must provide confirmation of enrolment in an overseas programme of study to improve their instrumental or vocal skills.
7. The Award may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the recipient to declare to the Scholarships Office all other scholarships, awards or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Award.
8. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
9. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Trustees, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
10. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 2 October in the year preceding the award.
11. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

- I. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including current or past eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance and personal and financial circumstances. Candidates need to demonstrate that they are experiencing financial hardship and that they are struggling to meet basic living costs. Incurred debt is not evidence of financial hardship.*
- II. Payments under the terms of this Award remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee's programme of study and to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Award.*
- III. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Award and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that an awardee is not complying with these Regulations, terminate the Award and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.*