John Baros Award in Music

Description

John Baros was born in Czechoslovakia and came to New Zealand in 1950. He died in 1965 and, following the death of his wife in 1997, a Scholarship was established in 2000 in his memory to assist students to further their musical education overseas.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- 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 John Baros Award in Music.
2. One Award will be made annually, for a period of up to one year and will be of the value of $2,500. Awardees will be eligible to reapply for the Award in the year following the awardee’s first holding of the Award but not thereafter.
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, applicants must i) be 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 pursue studies in instrumental or vocal Music in the Czech Republic, the USA, or a Commonwealth country, in that order of preference.
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 normally exceed 20 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 a programme of study in instrumental or
vocal music in either the Czech Republic, the USA or a Commonwealth country.
7. The Award will be paid in one instalment upon confirmation of enrolment in the overseas programme of study.
8. 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 awardee 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.
9. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate who meets the criteria and/or a candidate of sufficient merit.
10. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these regulations, in consultation with the School of Music and the Trustees for the John Baros Trust, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 31 November in the year preceding the award.
12. 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. Applicants 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 give undertakings that they will 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.