Jonathan Mane-Wheoki Fine Arts Award for Māori and Pacific Students

Description

The Award was established in 2023 is funded by Paul Bushnell in memory of his partner Jonathan Mane-Wheoki, who was a pioneering researcher and writer in the field of Māori and Pacific art, and a powerful mentor for upcoming Māori and Pacific artists at Elam. The Award recognises the practical encouragement and support he both received in his early career, and generously provided as a teacher, colleague, researcher, writer, and friend.

The main purpose of the Award is to support a Māori student or a Pacific student enrolled in the first year of a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree at Elam School of Fine Arts, at Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland.

Selection process

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

Regulations

1. The Award will be known as the Jonathan Mane-Wheoki Fine Arts Award for Māori and Pacific Students.
2. One Award will be made annually and will be of the value of $2,000.
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, a candidate must be i) a Māori student or a Pacific student (see Note II), ii) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident, iii) enrolled full-time in the first year of a Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in the Elam School of Fine Arts at Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland.
4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement in FINEARTS 111 Studio 1 Semester One and the student’s engagement with their studies as assessed by the student’s contribution in class work.
5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of Elam School of Fine Arts (or nominee) in consultation with the Course Director of Studio One (or nominee).
6. The Award will be paid in one lump sum in Semester Two.
7. To be paid the Award, the awardee must be i) enrolled full-time in the BFA, and ii) be enrolled in FINARTS 112 Studio 2.

8. The Award may be held 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. 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/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Award.

10. 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.

11. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.

12. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be Regulations.

**Notes**

I. The tax-free status of this Award is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.

II. For the purposes of this Award, Pacific students refers to Citizens or Permanent Residents of New Zealand who are of indigenous Pacific descent from any of the following islands: Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau, Fiji (iTaukei), Rotuma, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Palau, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Wallis and Futuna, Hawaii, French Polynesia, Rapanui (Easter Island), Pitcairn Islands, Nauru, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands.

III. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Award and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau | 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.

IV. These regulations are subject to Senate and Council approval.