The Tommy Norman Prize for Jazz Performance

Rules

Establishment

This Prize has been established by donations to the University by Mrs Kim Norman (and other donors), who originally established the Tommy Norman Awards for Jazz Performance in memory of her late husband, Dr Tommy Norman in recognition of his love for jazz, particularly in the latter years of his life.

This is an endowed prize with the capital held in the University’s Endowment Fund¹ and the income distribution each year used to fund the Prize.

Value

The value of the Prize is $750.00 per year, or such other amount as the University shall from time to time determine provided that the value of the Prize does not exceed the annual distribution of interest available from the Endowment Fund.

Eligibility

The prize is open to students who are:-
- studying full-time;
- Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia;
- undergraduate students of the Elder Conservatorium (including Honours); and
- majoring in jazz performance.

Priority will be given to jazz piano, but if there isn’t a suitable pianist, then the Prize may be made for a different instrument (or voice).

Selection of Candidate

The Prize will be awarded by the Director, Elder Conservatorium of Music (or his nominee) who will, on the recommendation of the Head of Jazz Studies (or his nominee), award the Prize to the undergraduate student who demonstrates excellence in jazz performance throughout their studies.

If there is no candidate of sufficient merit in any given year then the prize will not be awarded in that year and the available distribution of interest may be used in subsequent years.

If there is more than one candidate of equal merit, then the prize may be shared equally.

Variations

The University may vary the rules from time to time in a manner consistent with the University’s legal obligations and policies.

Rules approved by Deputy Vice Chancellor & Vice President (Academic) 29 August 2017

¹ For further information on the University’s Endowment Fund and the distribution of interest available please see the Endowment Fund Investment Report.