

The John Harvey Finlayson Prize for Creative Writing

Establishment

In 2011, Virginia Pym Finlayson bequeathed £5,000 to the University in memory of her grandfather, John Harvey Finlayson who died on 30 March 1915 - who was a part owner and editor of the South Australian Register.

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 will be \$350.00 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

To be eligible for the prize, students must be enrolled in a creative writing course as part of their undergraduate degree at the University of Adelaide.

Selection of Candidate

The Head of the School of Humanities will award the prize to the student who submits the best piece of work in creative writing for that year as part of their coursework.

If there is no candidate of sufficient merit in a given year then the prize will not be awarded in that year and the money may be used in subsequent years. Any surplus income not awarded as part of the prize may be added to the capital sum in the Endowment Fund from time to time.

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

Variations

The University may vary the rules from time to time in a manner consistent with the original objectives of the prize.

Rules approved by Deputy Vice Chancellor & Vice President (Academic) 7 July 2016

¹ For further information on the University's Endowment Fund and the distribution of interest available please see the [Endowment Fund Investment Report](#)