

ALAN AND YVONNE THRIFT MEMORIAL MUSICAL EXCELLENCE PRIZE

Purpose of the Prize

This prize (est. 1999) honours the work of the late Alan and Yvonne Thrift who devoted their working lives to the development of music at Avondale. Alan was the head of the Music Department from 1957 to 1990. Yvonne taught piano and voice at Avondale for more than twenty years.

Selection Criteria

The prize will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria:

1. A student in the third or higher year of a BA or equivalent degree (including double degrees built on the BA) with a specialisation or double major in Music.
2. Awarded on the basis of:
 - ensemble performance, and
 - involvement and leadership in the musical activities of the Avondale Conservatorium.
3. A record of maintaining good academic grades in Music units taken at Avondale.

Administration of the Prize

1. Each year the Prizes Coordinator will confer with Avondale's business office to ascertain the balance of the Thrift Music Prize Reserve including monies collected at the Graduation Concert, then confer with the Director of Music. In 2016 it was determined the principal supporting this prize means it has a limited life.
2. Any changes to the criteria will be forwarded by the Prizes Coordinator to the Scholarships and Prizes Committee, and once approved, will be uploaded to the Avondale website.
3. Nominations for the prize shall be made by the Head of School in consultation with the Director of Music and the music lecturers and will include a review of the nominee's academic record.
4. In the absence of a student who fits the criteria, a prize may not be granted. In the event of one or more students equally qualifying for the prize, the prize may be shared between students.
5. The name/s will be presented to the Learning and Teaching Committee for final approval.

Sponsorship

The sponsorship is provided from Graduation Concert offerings and shall be provided by way of a pre-paid gift card to the value of \$1000 (determined annually on offerings collected) along with the recipients' name engraved on the perpetual shield.

Presentation of Prize

The prize will be presented during the year-end graduation ceremony. Prize recipients who are not graduating in the current year will receive their prize at the Welcome to Avondale ceremony at the commencement of the next academic year.

Citation

The ALAN & YVONNE THRIFT MEMORIAL MUSICAL EXCELLENCE PRIZE
is awarded
for involvement and leadership in the musical activities of the Avondale Conservatorium
and integrity and initiative in academic and performance areas.
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who devoted their lives to the development of music at Avondale.
Alan was the Head of the Music Department from 1957-1990
and Yvonne taught piano and voice at Avondale for over twenty years.

The prize is awarded to
[name of recipient]