

## Denise Gerard Scholarship

<b>Code:</b>	176
<b>Faculty:</b>	Creative Arts & Industries
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Parts II, III or IV of the BFA, BFA(Hons) or associated conjoint programme
<b>Closing date:</b>	4 April
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance
<b>Number on offer:</b>	Up to five
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$5,000 each

### Description

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The Scholarship was established in 1997 as the result of a bequest to the University from the late Miss B Denise Gerard. Miss Gerard's stated purpose in establishing the Scholarship was to assist students at the Elam School of Fine Arts who show industry, promise of artistic ability, and who are in need of financial assistance.

### Selection process

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- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

### Regulations

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1. The Scholarship shall be known as the Denise Gerard Scholarship.
2. Up to 5 Scholarships will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year, and will be of the value of up to \$5,000 each. Recipients of the Scholarship may reapply in subsequent years.
3. To take up the Scholarship, recipients must have paid the fees, or have arranged to pay the fees, for full-time enrolment in Parts II, III or IV of a Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA), or a Bachelor of Fine Arts (Honours) (BFA(Hons)) or associated conjoint programme at the University of Auckland.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic and international students.
5. The basis of selection shall be the quality of a candidate's portfolio and demonstrated financial need (see Notes I and II).
6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the Elam School of Fine Arts (or nominee), and two members of academic staff from Elam School of Fine Arts, nominated by the Head of School.
7. The Scholarship shall be paid in one lump sum upon award.
8. The Scholarship 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 recipient 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 Scholarship.

9. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit. The University of Auckland Council shall have the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
10. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 4 April in the year of the award.
11. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be regulations.

## Notes

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- I. The portfolio is to consist of six examples of work done in the preceding 12 months as digital files collated into a single portrait oriented pdf file, each example with relevant captioning such as title, date, medium and size.*
- II. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including previous or current eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances. Candidates 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.*
- III. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used 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 Scholarship.*
- IV. Recipients of a Denise Gerard Scholarship will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship 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 a recipient of a Denise Gerard Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received.*