Graham Allen Prize in Musical Theatre

**Description**

The Graham Allen Prize in Musical Theatre was established in 2014, in memory of Graham (Gumby) Allen and funded by his family and friends. Graham had a long history of performing in, directing and producing shows and had a particular love for the genre of musical theatre where he excelled in character performances. He always actively encouraged young people to try their hand at musical theatre and enjoyed the camaraderie of the casts in the multitude of performances in which he appeared.

The main purpose of the Prize is to support and encourage students performing in musical theatre.

**Selection process**

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the Head of the School of Music

**Regulations**

1. The Prize will be known as the Graham Allen Prize in Musical Theatre.
2. One or more Prizes will be awarded annually. First Prize will have a value of $1,000.
3. The Prize will be awarded annually to the student(s) enrolled in the School of Music at the University of Auckland who obtained the highest marks for a performance within the musical theatre genre at a competition organised by the School of Music.
4. The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the Head of the School of Music.
5. In the event of a tie, the Head of the School of Music shall determine, in consultation with the donor, if the Prize may be shared.
6. The University of Auckland will not be bound to award the Prize in any year if there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
7. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Prize.