Marian Cranwell Prize

Description

This Prize was established in 1975 by a donation from Lucy Cranwell Smith (Mrs Watson Smith) who graduated Master of Arts and Doctor of Science of the University of New Zealand from Auckland University College. The principal aim of the Prize is to encourage research writing which has as its subject issues concerned with the environment and ecological sciences. The award honours the donor’s mother, Mrs Benjamin F Cranwell (born Marian Vellenoweth) who lived out her 83 years by tidewater at St Heliers, Henderson, and Parnell, and who in her time knew many of the early settlers of the Waitakeres.

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 Director of the School of Biological Sciences and the Director of the School of Environment

Regulations

1. The Prize will be known as The Marian Cranwell Prize.
2. The value of the Prize will be $3,000.
3. The purpose of the Prize is to encourage writing which focuses upon the areas of environmental and ecological sciences, including the cultural history of environmental areas. It will be awarded annually to the student who submits, in the year of the award, the best thesis or dissertation on environmental or ecological science, in fulfilment of the requirements for a Masters or PhD degree.
4. The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the Director of the School of Biological Sciences and the Director of the School of Environment.
5. The University of Auckland Council will not be bound to award the Prize in any year if there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
6. In the event of a tie, the Director of the School of Biological Sciences and the Director of the School of Environment shall determine if the Prize may be shared. Two Prizes may be awarded in any year if funds permit.
7. Having been awarded a Prize, a writer will not be eligible for one during the following two years.
8. 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.