

HOW TO APPLY FOR A DIRECTOR'S AWARD AT AICM

1. Submit the following completed forms and information to the AICM office:

- a. Director's Award Application Form (attached)
- b. The required documentation as outlined in the Director's Award Application Form (see sections 4 – 6)
- c. Submit a recital program;

Vocal students: between 40-50min

Instrumental students: between 50-60min

Composition students: submit a portfolio and 40-50min CD or DVD

The program must contain works representative of at least three different styles. Overseas and/or interstate applicants may submit an audition audio or video recording on CD/DVD.

- d. A non-refundable fee of **AU\$55.00** must be paid upon submission per application.

SUBMISSION DEADLINES (application form, supporting documents/media & application fee)

Current Students

- November 30th 2011
For a beginning of the year Director's Award
- May 31st 2012
For a mid-year Director's Award

New Students

- January 13th 2012
For a beginning of the year Director's Award
- June 15th 2012
For a mid-year Director's Award

2. Recital audition and interview

Following submission of the form and attachments, you will be contacted by the AICM administration office to arrange for your attendance at an audition and interview with the Director's Award panel. Alternative arrangements will be made for overseas/interstate applicants.

AUDITION DATES: December 15th 2011
February 8th 2012
July 9th 2012

The audition outcome will be emailed to students within 14 days after the audition period.

Director's Award Details

- The financial details of the Director's Award will be confirmed by the Director's Award panel on behalf of the Board of Directors.
- All Director's Award funds are put towards AICM fees. No cash awards will be made.
- The AICM Director's Award is to assist full fee-paying international students and local students who are not applying for Fee-Help.
- A Director's Award is awarded for the duration of **one year only**. A subsequent Director's Award Application Form must be completed and an interview and audition successfully passed annually in order to be eligible for a continuing Director's Award for each year of study at AICM.
- AICM reserves the right to make reasonable changes to these terms and conditions at any time and will advise successful students if this occurs, as and when required.

Director's Award Eligibility

Students eligible for AICM Director's Award include only those who:

- Are enrolled or intending students of AICM;
- Possess outstanding talents in musical performance;
- Have attained outstanding achievements in musical performance, or demonstrate the potential to do so;
- Have completed and submitted the appropriate forms, documentation and fee; and

- Are successful in the interview and audition/portfolio process.

Background to Director's Award delivery at AICM

History has consistently demonstrated that the distribution of musical talent and passion has been limited to those who have access to resources to nurture this gift to its full capacity. As a prestigious music institution near the heart of Sydney city, we are proud to offer annual Director's Awards to students who demonstrate the capacity and tenacity to devote themselves to the development of their musical talent in order to reach personal and career goals. A rigorous application and audition process has been developed, and those who are successful have always made us proud through both their consistent and outstanding academic and musical dedication and achievements.

DIRECTOR'S AWARD APPLICATION FORM

1. Personal Details

Title: _____ First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Sex: Male / Female _____ Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): _____

Address: _____ Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____ Email: _____

2. Basis of Director's Award Application

Instrument/Course/Basis for which this award is being sought: _____

3. Previous Director's Awards (or Scholarships) at AICM

Have you been a previous scholarship holder at AICM? Yes / No

If 'Yes', please provide previous scholarship details: _____

What year/s did you receive this scholarship/s? _____

Annual scholarship amount: _____

4. Education and Training Experience

Provide a summary of your education and training in your instrument/s as per the table below. Please attach documentary evidence if applicable. (*Attach a separate sheet if insufficient room provided below.*)

Instrument	School and/or Teacher	Years	Results	Documentary evidence attached?
e.g. Piano	Matthew Smith at the School of Piano	1998 - 1999	A – Honours grade on AMEB level 6 exam	Yes

5. Public Performance Experience

Please provide a summary of your involvement in public performances, concerts or competitions as per the table below. (*Attach a separate sheet if insufficient room provided below.*)

Performances/eisteddfods	Results/Awards/Prizes (if applicable)	Documentary evidence attached?
e.g. Clarence City Council Eisteddfod, AMEB Classical Piano 6 th grade division	No place awarded	Yes

Conditions

The following conditions must be met by Director’s Award holders to maintain their Director’s Award for the year and be eligible for a continuing Director’s Award:

- Maintain a consistently high quality of academic excellence at all times in their instrument major and demonstrate exemplary personal conduct at all times;
- Ensure that all individual tuition fees are paid by the due date/s and acknowledge that all other costs associated with the course (e.g. books, extra-curricular activities) are not covered by AICM and are at the student’s own expense;
- Achieve a distinguished record of achievement in all classes/subjects (Credit or above for all subjects and a Distinction or above for Principal Study);
- Attend and/or perform at all aspects of the AICM’s activities when requested, including ensemble, performance classes, special concerts and events, Open Day, Graduation, and on any occasion as deemed necessary;
- Uphold an attendance record of 80% in all subjects;
- Seek permission from AICM before engaging in any performance-related concert or engagement outside AICM and must include the phrase “performing courtesy of AICM” on any program or written profile;
- Acknowledge the contribution of AICM in all performance-related activities, and in writing on performer biographies/performance advertisements/brochures if applicable;
- Actively promote and remain loyal to AICM throughout the full duration of the course and refrain from engagement in any disparaging or defamatory remarks about AICM or its staff;
- Notify AICM of any changes in conditions under which the Director’s Award was granted, including financial circumstances;
- Not discuss details of Director’s Awards with anyone other than the signatories below;
- Adhere to extracurricular activities when requested such as clerical, library or unspecified duties if deemed necessary.

Breach of Conditions

I have read the above Director’s Award stipulations in full and understand I must abide by them at all times if granted the Award. I understand that if I breach these conditions at any time the Award will be forfeited.

8. Agreement

I hereby certify that the information I have supplied is true and correct and that I understand and agree to be bound by the Director’s Award requirements and conditions and to accept the decision of the AICM Director’s Award panel as final.

APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE *PRINT FULL NAME* *DATE*

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE IF STUDENT IS UNDER 18 *PRINT FULL NAME* *DATE*

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF AICM *PRINT FULL NAME* *DATE*