

Mary Elizabeth McComas Piano Scholarship 2024

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Mary Elizabeth McComas Piano Awards

The Mary Elizabeth McComas Piano Awards are provided to enable high achieving students specialising in piano, to undertake overseas educational activity at major piano-teaching academies, festivals or universities in Europe. This scholarship is open to all piano graduates from BMus or equivalent courses provided at Australian Universities.

Strongest preference is for Master of Music Performance Research (Keyboard) students as well as PhD Performance Research (Keyboard) students, particularly those in the early stages of candidacy. Exceptionally high achieving Bachelor of Music Honours (Keyboard) students with strong graduate research potential can also be considered. Students enrolled in the Master of Music Performance Teaching (Keyboard) may also apply.

Value The value of the scholarship offered in 2024 will be approximately \$10,000 per recipient, depending on the proposal provided by the applicant and at the discretion of the Trustees. A thankyou letter and, subsequent to the travel, a completion statement will be required for the information to the McComas family.

Criteria & eligibility Candidates for the scholarship must:

- be an Australian citizen;
- have graduated or be eligible to graduate, in any undergraduate or postgraduate course in Music at an Australian University OR be currently enrolled in a course of Music as postgraduate student at an Australian University, with preference for current student of Bachelor of Music Honours (keyboard) or Research Master (Keyboard);
- be intending to undertake activity associated with a European piano-teaching institution, attend a piano festival in Europe, OR intend to secure private tuition with an approved piano teacher in Europe (consideration will be given to non-European countries as the discretion of the selection panel);
- be of high academic standard as determined by the selection panel.

Selection process

Applications will be assessed by the selection committee on the basis of:

- Exceptional academic results with strong research potential as determined by the selection panel;
- travel purpose (outlining teacher/masterclass/outcome intentions; detailed budget requirements).

The Dean, on the recommendation of the graduate committee, will approve the recipients, who will be notified via email of the outcome. All other unsuccessful recipients will be emailed.

Please contact fineartsmusic-scholarships@unimelb.edu.au with any questions.

This application consists of the following questions:

- Personal details
- Academic details
- Project details
- Document uploads
- Agreement and submission

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Applicant Details

* indicates a required field

Applicant name *

First Name

Last Name

Email (Student email is preferred if you are currently enrolled) *

Alternate email address

University of Melbourne student number (if applicable)

Residency - Please note that **ONLY Australian citizens are eligible for this scholarship** *

- ☐ I am an Australian citizen
☐ International student or PR (INELIGIBLE)

Equity considerations

- ☐ Do you have a disability? If yes, please describe in 'other' box below.
Other

*This section is optional

Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Island descent?

- ☐ Aboriginal
☐ Torres Strait Island

No more than 1 choice may be selected.

*This section is optional

Academic Details

* indicates a required field

Course details

If you are a current student, please answer for your current course.

If you are a former student, please answer for the last course you completed at the Faculty of Fine Arts and Music.

Tertiary institution (eg. Conservatorium, Uni of Melbourne) *

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Most recent (or current) course name (eg. MMus Research, BMus Honours) *

Year level for current student, or year graduated from last course *

Have you received any previous scholarship/prizes awarded?

☐ Yes

☐ No

No more than 1 choice may be selected.

Have you been the recipient of any other scholarships/prizes from the Faculty during your studies here?

Do you hold a Graduate Research Scholarship in 2024? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, what scholarships/awards did you receive? In which year?

Scholarship/award name/s, year of award

Travel proposal details

*** indicates a required field**

This section forms the basis of the selection panel's evaluation of your application.

Why should you be awarded this scholarship? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 400 words.

[max 400 words]

One line summary of your travel purpose (ie. attend Session 1 of the Amalfi Coast Piano Festival. July 5-17, 2024) *

Project proposal: In detail, please explain your proposed endeavour (including reference to confirmed arrangements you have made towards this). *

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As much detail as you can provide would be helpful

Travel itinerary: In detail, please provide a full expected timeline of all activities. *

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Budget total amount *

eg. \$10,000. The total \$ amount you are requesting. Budget details should be noted below and be reasonable and justifiable.

Expected Budget

Income include any salary you will continue to receive, or any awards you have been granted to support this endeavour.

Expenditure are the costs of tuition fees, materials, lessons, accommodation, food etc

It is understood that your expenses may not be confirmed and that you are giving your best estimate of these costs. The more detail you can provide, the better. Please add more rows as needed.

Income (you can delete non applicable items)	\$	Expenditure (you can delete non applicable examples) Tuition Cost: tuition fees (total period of proposed study)	\$
eg. salary (for the relevant period)		Accommodation costs: eg. x weeks accommodation in xx. If nil, explain: eg. In-kind Explanation: I am able to stay with friend/family at no cost.	
eg. savings which are available for use		Tuition Cost: tuition fees (total period of proposed study)	
eg. other CONFIRMED funds awarded to support this proposal		Food (\$x by no of weeks). If nil, explain In-kind Explanation: food supplied by College within tuition fees.	

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eg. Graduate Research Scholarship (for the relevant period)	\$	Transport: eg. return economy airfare Melbourne to xx	\$
	\$	eg. additional study costs (list what they are)	\$
	\$	eg. conference registration for xx Research Conference	\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$

Budget Totals

Total Income Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Total Expenditure Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Income minus Expenditure

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Document uploads

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Letter of activity acceptance/confirmation (you can submit this at a later point)

Attach a file:

Please upload evidence of acceptance into the proposed course of study/school, if you have received it. Please submit in PDF format only.

Academic results *

Attach a file:

For more information regarding how to access your academic results, please copy this link and past it into a new browser window: http://ask.unimelb.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/5745/kw/accessing%20your%20free%20statement%20of%20results (formal results) or http://ask.unimelb.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/5745/kw/accessing%20your%20free%20statement%20of%20results (informal results). First year students should upload a copy of their most recent academic results eg. VCE, TAFE, etc

Academic results. If your academic results include a failure, an absence or a withdrawal, please give details of the relevant circumstances.

You will be asked to upload your academic results on the upload page.

Declaration and application submission

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Certification

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By clicking "I agree" and submitting this application: • I confirm that the information which I have provided in this form is true, correct and complete. • I agree that this is a binding declaration and that the University may request information to verify this information. • I will notify the University of any changes to this information by contacting the [Fine Arts and Music scholarships office](#). • I understand that provision of false information may be a breach of the [Student Conduct Policy \(MPF1324\)](#). • I accept that the University may rescind any scholarships awarded as part of this program and recover any payments made as part of this scholarship at any time, if I provided false, misleading or incomplete information.

I agree *

☐ Yes

Privacy

The information on this form is being collected by the University of Melbourne for the purpose of grant assessment, administration and evaluation. The information will be used by authorised staff for the purpose for which it was collected, and will be protected against unauthorised access and use.

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