The Foxtel Award for New Talent aims to select and support emerging talent in the screen production landscape, with a particular focus on television.

It provides $20,900 (plus GST) to support an exceptional graduate in the year following their graduation. In addition to the award, Foxtel works with the recipient to help them make contacts and gain experience, especially in the area of subscription television.

Applicants for this award will be judged against the following criteria, demonstrating:

- exceptional creative potential through their work at AFTRS,
- a clear and distinctive voice and vision,
- a strong interest in a creative career in television, and
- potential for innovation and leadership in the Australian screen industry at the highest level.

All students graduating in 2014 from the Masters of Screen Arts, Graduate Diploma or Graduate Certificate in Documentary, Screenwriting and Directing are eligible to apply. The winner will be announced at the AFTRS Graduation ceremony on Friday, 5 December 2014.

The recipient of the Foxtel Award for New Talent will sign an agreement acknowledging the final terms of the award and their understanding of the expectations for ongoing contact and participation in agreed activities.

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

Selection will be based on a written application, a portfolio, and a CV. Final selection will generally be made by interview. Please note that team applications will not be accepted.

Applicants are required to supply **4 COPIES** of each of the following:

- a written analysis of the reasons for the success (or failure) of any Australian show that first went to air in 2014 with particular focus on audience (approximately one page) (4 copies);
- a statement on what they have learnt from their time at AFTRS and how they will apply it once they leave (no more than 700 words) (4 copies);
- what their ambitions are within the Australian screen industry and what steps they will take to achieve them (no more than 700 words) (4 copies);
- a curriculum vitae (no more than two-sides) (4 copies);
- and a portfolio of their work (4 copies).
Based on the aforementioned criteria, a short list will be drawn up by AFTRS staff and submitted to a joint Foxtel / AFTRS panel for consideration. Final selection may be made by interview. Should you be shortlisted, you must be available for interview in the week commencing 10 November 2014. The panel reserves the right to make no award if they deem there are no suitable applications.

**Please note:** the panel’s selection is final. Unfortunately, the panel cannot supply feedback on unsuccessful applications and no correspondence will be entered into.

Applications in a suitably labelled sealed envelope should be delivered to Student Services situated in the foyer at AFTRS no later than 10am Monday 27 October 2014.

Alternatively, you may post your application to:

Foxtel Award  
Student Services  
Australian Film, Television and Radio School  
PO Box 2286 Strawberry Hills NSW 2012

Should you choose this option, please ensure you allow for sufficient ‘travel’ time to make certain it arrives before the deadline.

**Please note:** no extensions will be granted and late entries will not be considered.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS:**

Funds received from this application may be considered as part of your income in a financial year and therefore subject to tax. Please note: AFTRS cannot give advice about taxation or legal issues, so you should consider approaching your financial adviser for specialist advice.

As a condition of this application, if you are successful, you will need to issue AFTRS with a tax invoice quoting your Australian Business number (ABN) or you will need to provide all necessary information (including your ABN) to AFTRS to enable AFTRS to issue a correct Recipient Created Tax Invoice.

If you do not currently have an ABN, you can apply for one from the Australian Taxation Office.