

AFTRS Storytelling Scholarship

Introduction

Since its inception in 1973 as the national film, television and radio school, AFTRS has empowered Australian storytelling talent. Australian storytelling is vital for building our culture and identity and connecting with one another. Australian stories face many challenges. Building the next generation of Australian talent and equipping our industry with relevant skills is essential to meet these challenges and ensure audiences are enriched by Australian stories.

AFTRS wants to discover and enable diverse Australian voices, the Storytelling Scholarship has been created to support this aim.

Purpose

The purpose of this scholarship is to support the telling of Australian stories by underrepresented groups by providing a fee scholarship for a commencing student in 2020 in the Master of Arts Screen or Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production. The application will be selected on the basis of merit.

The AFTRS Storytelling Scholarship will be awarded to support a student's study by covering their tuition fees for the duration of their course.

One scholarship may be offered in 2020 to either a Master of Arts Screen or Bachelor of Arts: Production student after consideration by the selection committee. In the event of there being no suitable applicants for that year the committee will convene to determine a course of action.

Master of Arts Screen or Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production

Payments

The scholarship is valued at:

- Master of Arts Screen
\$26,016 (\$52,032 total indicative course fee)
- Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production
\$14,640 (\$43,920 total indicative course fee)

AFTRS tuition fees are reviewed each year and the scholarship will be reviewed to match the course fees annually. Fee payments are conditional on the recipient remaining enrolled, in good academic standing, and continuing to meet the eligibility criteria, and any other conditions. The fee scholarship will be allocated per semester.

One scholarship will be awarded in 2020 and the recipient cannot defer the commencement of the scholarship.

Assessment of Applications

The scholarship is merit based and intended to support students throughout their student journey by providing a fee scholarship.

AFTRS's decision is final and no correspondence about decisions will be entered into. Successful applicants will be informed of any conditions of the scholarship. The selection panel will take into consideration the material provided by the applicant and select a recipient based on the following:

- Distinct point of view from an underrepresented group
- Originality
- Relevance to story

How to Apply

Who can apply?

- Applicants for the Master of Arts Screen or Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production are eligible to apply.
- Applicants must be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident or a New Zealand citizen.

To be eligible to receive the fee scholarship, you must:

- Be accepted into the Master of Arts Screen or Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production course, so it is important that you apply for the course as well as the scholarship.

Application dates

Masters: Applications open Monday 19 August 2019 and close Monday 14 October 2019.

Bachelor: Applications open Monday 19 August 2019 and close Monday 18 November 2019.

Supporting documents must be submitted to AFTRS by the closing date. You will be notified by email whether or not your application is successful by mid-January 2020.

Online application form

Please complete the online application form and provide all the documentation requested by the closing date.

Application task

Please view the AFTRS promotional video Storytellers Wanted and provide a response in ONE of the following:

- A script based on a story within Storytellers Wanted (max 3-5 pages)
- A series of still photographs (max 5 photos) on a story within Storytellers Wanted
- A concept illustration using digital painting, such as Photoshop, photomontage, traditional painting or drawing or a combination of any of these techniques on a story within Storytellers Wanted

Further information and application

For more information and help with your application, you can contact the Student Centre on 02 9805 6444 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday or email us at studentinfo@aftrs.edu.au. You can find information about scholarships at AFTRS via this link.

aftrs.edu.au/students/future-students/scholarships-and-financial-support