

PERRY FOUNDATION ART SCHOLARSHIP



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2027 Guidelines, Terms & Conditions

The Perry Foundation Art Scholarship is generously funded by the R&J Perry Family Foundation. It provides a stipend of \$20,000 for a student completing the Bachelor of Fine Art (Honours) (full-time) at the National Art School (NAS). The recipient is intended to use the scholarship as a stipend to support living and study expenses.

Key Dates

Applications Open: **Monday 21 September 2026**

Applications Close: **Thursday 26 November 2026**

Recipients Notified: **Mid-December 2026**

Selection Criteria

The Perry Foundation Art Scholarship will be granted to an individual who would benefit from such funding to undertake the Bachelor of Fine Art (Honours) program at NAS.

Applicants must be able to demonstrate:

- An exceptional record of artistic achievement and dedication to their artistic practice.
- Genuine need for financial support.

Eligibility

- Applicants must enrol full-time and intend to complete their BFA(Hons) in 2027.
- Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.
- Applicants must be under 35 years of age at the time of being awarded the scholarship.
- Applicants must not be in receipt of any other NAS Postgraduate Scholarships.

Please note: Preference will be given to students from a rural or regional background.

Applications

- Applicants must complete all aspects of the online application form and upload required support material.

Support Material

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STATEMENT

All applicants must submit a statement of no more than 300 words demonstrating how their work has developed to date and outlining their aspirations for further growth through the BFA(Hons) program. Applicants should also include a brief explanation of their financial circumstances, highlighting their need for support.

CV

All applicants must upload a CV of no more than two pages in PDF format.

RESIDENTIAL STATUS (OPTIONAL)

To confirm residential status in rural or regional Australia, applicants are required to submit two forms of supporting documentation. Acceptable documents may include:

- Australian driver's licence showing current residential address;
- Recent school statements or official correspondence;
- Council rates notices;
- Bank statements with residential address;
- A letter from an employer confirming residential address;
- A signed letter from a recognised professional (e.g. lawyer, doctor, bank manager, accountant) verifying the applicant's residential address for the relevant period.

For internal applicants (i.e. current NAS BFA students):

Applicants must have lived in rural or regional Australia for at least 12 months within the two years immediately prior to commencing their current course of study.

For external applicants:

Applicants must have lived in rural or regional Australia for at least 12 months within the two years immediately prior to commencing their proposed course of study.

The panel reserves the right to not assess applications that do not include specified supporting material correctly formatted as outlined above.

Conditions

- Applicants must submit a completed application that fulfils all eligibility requirements.
- Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
- The successful candidate will need to complete the acquittals process.
- Allocation of the Scholarship will be on enrolment in the BFA(Hons) in 2027.
- Should the recipient be unable to complete the BFA(Hons) in 2027, they will be required to pay back any funds allocated.
- Each submission will be considered by a selection panel

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comprised of representatives from the National Art School.

- The panel may request to meet with an applicant to discuss their application further.

Acquittal of Scholarship

The successful applicant will be required to:

- Take part in a Scholarships and Awards panel discussion at the National Art School in 2027/2028. The successful applicant may be asked to be part of a 15–20-minute formal presentation about the use of the Scholarship.
- Provide high-resolution photographs and a 200-word statement that can be used by NAS for promotional purposes and in publications including the Annual Report and Yearbook.

Please email scholarships@nas.edu.au, for any inquiries regarding the application process.