

APPLICATION PROCESS

The 2021 Scholarships are open to young musicians with a residential address in the Coffs Coast region at the closing date of application as well as students of the Coffs Harbour Regional Conservatorium. The Coffs Coast covers the Local Government Areas of Coffs Harbour, Bellingen and Nambucca. The scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis, and students are expected to be at a sufficiently advanced level to become ambassadors for the Conservatorium.

All applications must be made on the official application form which is available at the Conservatorium office and website. There is no application fee.

There will be two rounds in the application process. Only candidates who have been shortlisted will receive an audition time. Candidates must be available for a live audition from 5:30pm on Thursday November 26 and there will be no substitute date offered. The audition and interview will take approximately 15 minutes and notification of audition time will be sent after the closing date. No members of the public, teachers, or family members will be admitted to the audition room and the judges' decision is final.

Repertoire:

2 contrasting pieces of music of the applicant's choice with a combined performance time of no more than 10 minutes.

Other documentation required from each candidate on the day of the audition will be:

- * A copy of the most recent music examination certificate if applicable
- * Description and, where possible, evidence of other musical achievements

Applicants must be currently attending primary or high school, up to Year 10 in 2020. Applicants may be commencing year 11 in 2021, but not year 12. Home school applicants are accepted under the same conditions.

SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS

A full scholarship covers single study tuition for 45 minutes per week during term time at the Conservatorium, with a Conservatorium teacher only. Scholarships are not transferable to any other person or instrument, are not redeemable for cash or refundable. No make up lessons will be given to scholarship holders. Scholarships will run for the 2021 calendar year. Lessons will be offered with a choice of teachers and while every effort will be made to accommodate student/family schedules, the winning candidates may be required to adjust their schedule to be able to attend the available lesson times offered.

The winning candidates:

- * will be required to perform at Conservatorium events at the Artistic Director and instrumental teachers' discretion (eg the Gala Concert)
- * are expected to maintain a regular practice schedule within reason. If sufficient progress is not being made due to lack of commitment by the student, the scholarship may be reviewed by the Conservatorium Board.
- * Is expected to be an ambassador for the Conservatorium and represent the Conservatorium with a positive attitude and commitment.
- * May choose their teacher, provided that teacher is a member of Conservatorium staff.

Scholarships will be awarded by a panel of two music industry specialists and the Artistic Director. Panel members will be required to disclose any involvement with candidates.

The decision of the judges is final and no correspondence will be entered into. The judging panel, on behalf of the Board of the Conservatorium, reserves the right to omit the awarding of one or both of the scholarships in any given year.

APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE LODGED BY 5PM FRIDAY 20 NOVEMBER. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted. Forms are available Online and at the office and must be returned by the closing date and time. No late applications will be accepted.