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Rules for Composition Competitions

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The information in this document has been compiled from the UQ Senate’s Prize Rules and Schedule. The School has made all efforts to ensure the information in this document about Senate Prizes is accurate. Where there is a discrepancy between the information in this document and the information in the UQ Senate’s Prize Rules and Schedule as published at http://www.uq.edu.au/senate/content/legislation-and-rules the latter takes precedence.
Senate Prize Rules

1. Award
   The Prizes set out in the Schedule shall be awarded by Senate.

2. Paragraph (a) — Recommending authority
   Paragraph (a) of the rules relating to a prize indicates the authority which recommends to Senate the award of the prize.

3. Paragraph (b) — Eligibility
   Paragraph (b) indicates who may be considered for the prize.

4. Paragraph (c) — Basis for award
   Paragraph (c) indicates the basis for award of the prize. The Prize is awarded to the person who, in the opinion of the recommending authority, fulfils the requirements set out in that paragraph.

5. Paragraph (d) — Nature of prize
   (1) Paragraph (d) indicates the nature of the prize.
   (2) If the nature of a prize is not stated as a fixed sum of money the value of the prize will be approximately equal to the annual income from the fund which supports it.
   (3) If the nature of a prize is stated as money or a fixed sum of money, the Vice-Chancellor may direct that in lieu of money, books, instruments or other equipment necessary to the student’s program be awarded to a value approximately equal to the value of the prize.
   (4) If the nature of a prize is stated as something other than money or a fixed sum of money, the prize shall be selected by the prize winner.
   (5) If a fund supports 2 or more prizes the value of each prize will be an approximately equal share of the income of the fund.

6. Paragraph (e)
   Paragraph (e) indicates any other relevant provisions.

7. Equal merit
   If, in the opinion of the recommending authority, there are 2 or more candidates of substantially equal merit, a prize may be shared equally among them.

8. No candidate of sufficient merit
   Each prize shall be awarded annually except in a year in which the recommending authority determines that there is no candidate of sufficient merit to justify its award.

9. Complete requirements within year
   A person shall not be eligible for a prize unless that person has obtained the qualification on which award of the prize is based within —
   (a) the year;
   (b) if the qualification relates to 2 or more years, the minimum number of years reasonably required to obtain the qualification; immediately preceding the making of the award.

10. Conditional award
    (1) If a prize is awarded subject to the later performance of some condition by the person to whom it is awarded and the rules relating to the award do not require applications to be lodged, the faculty board or other recommending authority may prepare a list of persons qualified in order of merit and recommend to Senate that the award be made to the person highest on the list who gives an undertaking to perform the condition.
    (2) If Senate approves the recommendation, the award shall be deemed to be made to that person.
(3) If before the time arrives for performing the condition that person intimates an intention not to perform the condition, the award shall be deemed to have been made to the person next highest on the list who gives the undertaking.

11. Lapse

Unless the Vice-Chancellor in special circumstances otherwise determines, a prize shall lapse if it is not claimed by the awardee within 12 months of its award.

12. Contrary intent

These general rules are subject to a contrary intention shown in the rules relating to a prize.

13. Dictionary

“advanced course” means a course at level 2 or higher.
“late year course” means a course at level 3 or higher.
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Percy Brier Memorial Prize
Founded in 1972 by an initial gift of $1,600 and a further gift in 1979 of $1,000 from Mr Eric B. Brier, BE, MICE, FIEAust, and subsequently augmented by gifts of cash and shares from Miss Ella Brier. This prize was established in memory of Mr Brier’s late father Percy Brier, FTCL, ARCO, who, from 1906 to 1970, practised as a professional musician and teacher of music in Queensland and who made a noteworthy contribution to music in this State by his collection of material relating to the early musical history of Queensland.

(a) Head, School of Music.

(b) Any student.

(c) Composition of greatest promise submitted under the conditions of the award imposed for that year by the Head of School of Music.

(d) Money consisting of that portion of the income from the fund for the preceding financial year available for the Prize under the terms of the endowment.