

Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize

Terms and Conditions

1 Establishment and purpose

- 1.1 Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize was established in 1955 in memory of Reg Russom. The Drawing Prize is believed to be the longest-established regional drawing prize in Australia.
- 1.2 Emerging artists residing in the Hunter Region are invited to submit an observational drawing from any subject matter in any traditional drawing medium (not digital) for entry in the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize.
- 1.3 The Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize was first awarded in 1955 to honour one of the early Head Teachers of the Newcastle Art School, Reg Russom.
- 1.4 The Australian Decorative and Fine Arts (ADFAS) Newcastle partnered with the Hunter TAFE Foundation, in 2024, to become the new donor of the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize, as part of their commitment to cultural activities and connecting people with the arts.

2 Definitions

- 2.1 **“Applicant”** means an individual who applies for a Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize, by completing and submitting a Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize application form, in accordance with the application process.
- 2.2 **“Application process”** means the process set out in clause 3.0 of these terms and conditions, as amended or varied by the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize, from time to time, in its sole discretion.
- 2.3 **“Eligible applicant”** means an applicant who meets the criteria for eligibility for the award of a scholarship/prize, as set out in clause 4.0 of the terms and conditions.
- 2.4 **“Application”** means an application for a Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize, made by an applicant, in accordance with these terms and conditions.
- 2.5 **“Application form”** means the form that must be completed by an applicant and is available from tafensw.edu.au/scholarships.
- 2.6 **“Offer and acceptance form”** means the form that must be completed by the successful applicant and is to be issued by the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize.
- 2.7 **“Recipient”** means the successful applicant who accepts the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize, by completing and returning the offer and acceptance form, in accordance with the process set out in clause 6.0 of these terms and conditions.
- 2.8 **“Selection panel”** means a panel comprised of TAFE NSW and industry representatives, to assess applicants on their application.

- 2.9 **“Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize”** means a financial grant, up to a maximum value of \$1000, awarded by the Hunter TAFE Foundation, in accordance with these terms and conditions.

- 2.10 **“Successful applicant/recipient”** means an eligible applicant who is offered the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize by the Hunter TAFE Foundation, in accordance with the process set out in clause 5.0 of these terms and conditions.

3 Application process

- 3.1 An applicant must complete the online application form and provide a digital image of the artwork by the required closing date.
- 3.2 The applicant must submit the physical artwork to the Customer Service desk on Ground Floor at TAFE NSW Hunter Street.
- 3.3 The artwork may be either framed or unframed.

4 Eligibility

- 4.1 Open to students who are currently enrolled in Fine Arts or have completed a TAFE NSW Fine Arts qualification (Visual Arts, Ceramics, Aboriginal Cultural Arts) in the last three (3) years, that included a drawing unit, at a TAFE NSW location in the Hunter or Central Coast regions.
- 4.2 Applicant must provide a digital image of their artwork as part of their submission.
- 4.3 Only one piece of artwork can be submitted.
- 4.4 Not be in receipt of another award, scholarship or prize presented by the Hunter TAFE Foundation within the last twelve (12) months.
- 4.5 Applicant must accept Terms and Conditions outlined in the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize.
- 4.6 Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

5 Selection and offer of the Prize

- 5.1 Application forms will be collated by the Hunter TAFE Foundation.
- 5.2 Selection criteria:
 - 5.2.1 Drawing shows exceptional quality of technique.
 - 5.2.2 Demonstrates good understanding of observational and creative skills.
- 5.3 A selection panel will be formed to select the final recipient. The Panel will consist of representatives from TAFE NSW and/or industry representatives.
- 5.4 The successful applicant will be endorsed by the judging panel.
- 5.5 In the instance that only one application is received, the eligible application will be subject to review and endorsement, if eligibility is met.
- 5.6 Successful applicants will be announced at the Reg Russom presentation event held annually.
- 5.7 Successful applicants will be notified by phone and email should the presentation not occur. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified by email.

6 Acceptance of the Prize

- 6.1 A successful applicant must complete and return the offer and acceptance form as soon as possible, and as a pre-condition to payment of the prize.
- 6.2 For the avoidance of doubt, the successful recipient acknowledges and agrees that the awarding of a prize is conditional upon signing the offer and acceptance form, and returning it to the Hunter TAFE Foundation.

7 Award and payment

- 7.1 Following the completion and return of the offer and acceptance form, the payment of \$1000 will be paid to the successful recipients by bank transfer on the day of the presentation ceremony.
- 7.2 The Hunter TAFE Foundation is under no obligation to pay, or make available, any part of the prize until it has received a signed and completed the offer and acceptance form.

8 Conditions

- 8.1 The successful recipient acknowledges and agrees that the following conditions apply to the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize:
 - 8.1.1 On request by the Hunter TAFE Foundation, the successful recipient must provide an update on how the Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize has assisted them in their studies and career journey.
 - 8.1.2 The successful recipient must agree to be available for promotional and marketing photography, in line with TAFE NSW's Media Consent.
 - 8.1.3 Any decision of the selection panel regarding a Reg Russom Memorial Drawing Prize application is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
 - 8.1.4 The successful recipient is expected to be an ambassador for the Hunter TAFE Foundation, upholding the values of the organisation, and behaving at all times in accordance with the TAFE NSW Student Code of Conduct.
 - 8.1.5 The Hunter TAFE Foundation reserves the right to withdraw any of the requirements, as outlined in these terms and conditions (as determined by the Hunter TAFE Foundation).

9 Variation

- 9.1 The Hunter TAFE Foundation may vary these terms and conditions, or any form or process referred to herein, at any time and without notice.

Please retain a copy of these terms and conditions for future reference.