

RUBY C. COOLING PRIZE 2026

1.0 NAME OF COMPETITION

1.1 Ruby C. Cooling Prize (Pianoforte)

2.0 DONOR OF PRIZE

2.1 The Late Mrs G.Y. McKeon

3.0 NATURE OF PRIZE

3.1 2026 - Cash prize of approximately \$350

4.0 DURATION OF PRIZE

4.1 The prize is to be offered on a continuing annual basis.

5.0 ELIGIBILITY FOR PRIZE

5.1 Awarded to a full-time Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University student completing a Bachelor of Music degree, specialising in piano. The student must have been under 19 years of age at 31 December of the year preceding the competition.

6.0 SELECTION PROCESS

6.1 Competitors are required to play two contrasting works of their own choice totalling not more than 10 minutes in duration.

6.2 The adjudication panel must consist of the Director or nominee and one member of staff from the Conservatorium.

6.3 No judge may be a teacher of a student who is competing.

7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF THE PRIZE

7.1 The Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University will be responsible for the administration of the prize, including the publicising of the prize and managing funds associated with the prize.

Winners of Ruby C Cooling Prize

1977	Piers Lane	2002	Ivana Kesumadjaja
1978	Piers Lane	2003	Jenny Fu
1979	Lyn Hess; Jean Woo	2004	Katherine Chan
1980	Lyn Hess; Mitchell Leigh	2005	Philip Eames
1981	Andrea Pritchard	2006	
1982	Simon Kenway	2007	Belle Chen
1983	Bradley Voltz	2008	Not awarded
1984	Kym Meagher; Bradley Voltz	2009	Alex Raineri
1985	Izumi Mizuta	2010	Aaron Liu
1986	Izumi Mizuta; Bradley Voltz	2011	Aaron Liu
1987	Tracey Chin	2012	Aaron Liu
1988	Dean Wilmington	2013	Rachel Shipard
1989	Lana Higson	2014	Not awarded
1990	Lana Higson	2015	Oscar Wong Rachael Shipard (joint winners)
1991	John Rego	2016	Crystal Smith & Oscar Wong
1992	Shan Deng; Yeoung-Yu Park	2017	Ruby Luck
1993		2018	Tokiwa Onida
1994	Jung-Eun Byun	2019	Mai-lien Olsson
1995	Paul Hankinson; Liam Viney	2020	Alicia Elsom
1996	Liam Viney	2021	Joint: Jonah Patuto, Julia Zhu, Kai Hagiwara
1997	Vick Yang; Angela Turner	2022	Reuben Tsang
1998		2023	Lavinia Lee
1999	Brieley Cutting	2024	Sai Chung Lee
2000		2025	Artemii Safonov
2001	Misa Yamamoto		

**PRIIZE / COMPETITION APPLICATION
RUBY C COOLING PRIZE 2026**

Student Name: _____ No: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

E-Mail _____

Course & Year In Which You Are Enrolled: _____

Prize Name: Ruby C Cooling Prize 2026

Responsible Department: Keyboard

Approx. Prize Value: \$350

Date Of Competition: **Monday 18 May 2026 7.00pm, Ian Hanger Recital Hall**

Entries Close **Friday 8 May at 4pm**

- Hand completed application form to the Operations Administrator (rm 2.64) or by e-mail on c.wharton@griffith.edu.au
- Late applications will not be accepted.

DETAILS OF PROGRAMME

To enable an accurate programme to be produced, please print or type your selection clearly

Title/Opus No.	COMPOSER	DURATION

Please indicate if you are only available at a certain time in the competition period,

Between: _____ and: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____