

ABOUT THE JOCK AND BEVERLY MCILWAIN ARTS BUS FUND

Background

Through research it was found that the most significant inhibitor to schools attending activities at HOTA, Home of the Arts was the cost of bus travel. This cost means many young people miss out on the valuable learning opportunities that the performing and visual arts provide.

The Jock and Beverly McIlwain Arts Bus Fund is an initiative to assist in reducing the cost of bus travel to the Centre. Schools can apply to the fund to receive a one-off subsidy to contribute towards bus travel to see an exhibition, performance or participate in a workshop at HOTA. The subsidies available are graded as per the below:

Booking 99 students or under - \$250.00 subsidy | Booking 100 students or over - \$500.00 subsidy

If two or more buses are required to transfer your students to the Centre, a \$500.00 subsidy may also be granted.

About Jock and Beverly McIlwain

Jock and Beverly McIlwain were a treasured part of the HOTA family, passionate arts advocates and long-term supporters. Sadly, Jock passed away in April 2016, and Beverly in Dec 2019, they will be greatly missed, but their legacy in the Jock and Beverly McIlwain Arts Bus Fund will continue to support arts access for local children.

Jock and Beverly were passionate about developing arts appreciation in young people and were committed to ensuring that there are fewer financial barriers for our future generations to access the arts. Jock and Beverly's passion and dedication for the arts and its role in education was highlighted in 2013 when they established the Jock and Beverly McIlwain Arts Bus Fund, a subsidy available to local schools to reduce the cost of bus travel to HOTA. To date this fund has helped over 10,000 Gold Coast children to gain access to the arts and culture program at HOTA. For this, we are very grateful.

Jock and Beverly will be greatly missed but their generosity and legacy will live on at HOTA and be felt for many generations to come.

Terms and Conditions

1. Schools must complete an application form to be considered for the subsidy. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
2. Subsidies will only be granted for cultural activities and events that are programmed by the Centre, such as exhibitions and performances. Applications to support travel to events that are not programmed by the Centre, such as eisteddfods and school concerts, will not be approved.
3. Applications are assessed on their merits by a nominated representative of HOTA, Home of the Arts and in order of receipt. Subsidies will be granted until the full Fund has been allocated.
4. Any school can apply to the Fund, however, at the discretion of the representative, priority may be given to schools from economically disadvantaged areas that do not own buses.
5. Schools will only be granted one subsidy per calendar year, excluding special circumstances that may be deemed extraordinary by HOTA, Home of the Arts representative.
6. Schools that have both primary and secondary cohorts in 2020 can apply once for a primary excursion and once for a secondary excursion.

7. All decisions regarding the allocation of subsidies are final and no discussion will be entered into regarding those decisions.

For enquiries please contact our Education Producer on (07) 5588 4081 or education@hota.com.au

THE JOCK AND BEVERLY MCILWAIN ARTS BUS FUND APPLICATION FORM

School name:		
Address:		
Contact person:	Contact Phone:	
Email:		
Primary Enrolment:	Secondary Enrolment:	
What is the approximate distance in kilometres between your school and HOTA ? (one way)		
Has your school already been successful in an application to the Bus Fund in 2019? YES/ NO (Please circle)		
Proposed activity: (Name of the performance, exhibition or workshop you are attending)		
Date:	Time:	Year level:
Number of students attending:	Number of teachers/supervisors attending:	
Have you completed a booking form for this activity? YES – continue NO – Please complete a booking form before submitting this application		
Approximate cost of bus/es to attend activity (excludes GST): Approximate cost only is required. Please ensure that you include the total cost – e.g., if three buses are required at \$300 each, the total cost is \$900.		Number of buses required:
Will the excursion go ahead if the application to the Fund is not successful? YES/ NO (Please circle)		
Will you be travelling on a bus owned by your school? YES/NO		
Please tell us why your school should receive the subsidy:		
If your application to the Bus Fund is successful you will be notified via email and an invoice for the subsidy amount will be requested. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified by email.		
HOTA USE ONLY Date received:	Booking received:	Amount funded:
Date Received:		
Approved by	Date	Signature
Director Marketing, Partnerships & Engagement		