

# Rodney Seaborn Playwrights Award

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The Rodney Seaborn Playwrights Award, instituted by the Late Dr. Rodney Seaborn in 1995, is offered annually for the development of a play or other approved performing arts project emphasizing positive values.

The Award is intended for a playwright needing financial support for the development of a play or performance project, rather than as a prize for a finished, previously performed work. Development may include for example, workshops, dramaturgy, re-writing and costs leading to production.

A recipient may be working alone or jointly with others and might include writers, composers, designers, directors, producers, formally constituted performing arts organisations or ad hoc groups of performing arts professionals.

Only applications from individual playwrights will be considered by the Fund, not performing arts companies.

The Award is advertised nationally.

Applicants for the Award should note the following guidelines and conditions-

- (1) Preference for the Award will be given to persons who have resided in Australia for a period or periods totalling one year or more.
- (2) The Rodney Seaborn Playwrights Trust will appoint a panel of judges for the Award, whose decisions will be final.
- (3) The judges may determine that the Award be shared by the initiators of more than one play or project, and, if a script or project is the work of two or more, the judges may apportion the Award money between them as see fit.
- (4) The winning script or project treatment will be promoted and commended to professional performing arts organisations with a view to production and performance.
- (5) Any material in the play subject to copyright would need to be identified.

- (6) Winners of the Award and organisations promoting or producing their work will be expected to give suitable acknowledgment in advertising, media releases, programmes and other written material of the support provided by the Rodney Seaborn Playwrights Trust and to use the logo of the Seaborn, Broughton and Walford Foundation.**
- (7) If, in the opinion of the judges, the work submitted in any year does not reach a sufficiently high standard, no award for that year will be made.**
- (8) The \$20,000 Playwrights Award will be made in two stages : \$15,000 in the first instance and the remaining \$5000 upon receipt of satisfactory progress reports.**
- (9) Applications for the 2022 Award should be made on the appropriate entry form available on the Seaborn, Broughton & Walford Foundation web site and submitted by Thursday, 1 September 2022.**
- (10) The first payment of the 2022 award money will be paid by 31 December 2022 by the Rodney Seaborn Playwrights Trust, or its successors, from funds made available by the Trustees of the Estate of Rodney Seaborn.**

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