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KEECT Trust Chair, Stephanie Harris presenting to one of this years Masters' Award recipients, Alysha Simonsen.

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The annual Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust Awards Ceremony 2015

A record number of awardees and guests gathered at Old Government House on 2nd August to celebrate the 2015 Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust (KEECT) Awards and to present Awards to this years deserving recipients. This year the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust provided over \$500,000 across the Auckland and Northland regions in grants and awards to support tertiary study for women.

New Award Announced

The KEECT Trust's Chair, Stephanie Harris, announced a First Year Doctoral Award to assist women graduates currently enrolled in their first year of full-time study at a tertiary institution towards a PhD or named Doctorate. These awards are valued at \$10,000 each.

Thanks to your assistance and support we have made the first award of this kind available in April 2016. For more information about Awards Available please visit our website: www.academicdresshire.co.nz/AcademicAwardsAvailable

KEECT Fast Facts

- The Kate Edger Trust celebrates its 10th Anniversary
- \$500,000 in grants and awards this year
- \$16,000 new award now available
- 99 Awards given at 2015 Ceremony
- 42 years - Awards have been given out since 1973

Schools and Institutes - Now is the time to order early!!

We are now taking orders for end of year prize giving ceremonies. We recommend that you place your order as early as possible, preferably by 21st September 2015, before end of term break.

How to Order Please use our Bulk Order Form which has been specially designed to save you time and energy when you order and distribute our premium regalia. It's easy to fill out and you can save the headings in the table to use each time you need to hire regalia. Please fill in as much information as you can, and save your spreadsheet for the next time you need to order or you can use your own order form if you prefer. We will deliver your regalia labelled for each staff member in alphabetical order for easy distribution to staff. To request a Bulk order form please email reception@academicdresshire.co.nz or download a copy from the Corporates Schools and Staff Orders Page on our website www.academicdresshire.co.nz

If you need assistance please feel free to call Ron Hoyland, our Warehouse Manager on 09 3581044. You can also email Ron to make enquiries about Bulk and Staff orders at warehouse@academicdresshire.co.nz

Memorabilia Promotion

Academic Dress Hire stocks a number of memorabilia items for graduates to purchase. We would like to offer you the opportunity to purchase these very special items. All the items in the picture on the right, key rings, tie pins, book-marks, and hood pins are **\$5.00**.

Our purple graduation bands are always a favorite with students, and at just **\$2.00** each they would make a great gift for prizewinning students. Please find attached a free sample graduation band.

To order memorabilia please call us on 09 3581044.



More about the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust



KEECT Trustees, Back L to R - Stephanie Harris, Trust Chair, and Margaret Crannigan Allen. Front L to R Sarah Thomson, Trust Manager, Charmian O'Connor and Jill Smith. Not pictured are Rebecca Ewert and Sonia Pechner who are also KEECT Trustees.

The Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust is named in recognition of Kate Milligan Edger who in 1877 became the first women in the British Empire and New Zealand to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree.

The Trust operates Academic Dress Hire and channels all proceeds made from hire back to students in the form of grants and awards.

In 1920 the Auckland Branch of the then Federation of University Women began.

The Trust, formed in 2005, traces its origins to 1951 when Dame Dorothy Winstone and others set up a regalia hire business.

2015 marks the 10th anniversary of the Kate Edger Trust. For more information about the Trust please visit our website:

www.academicdresshire.co.nz/AboutUs