

## HISTORY OF DOROTHY COLLARD MEMORIAL TROPHY

When Dorothy Collard died, she had been a long-time member of the Guild and she had the most enormous stash of fabrics and library of quilting books/magazines. Before she died, she had an idea that her fabrics and books should be sold and the proceeds should be donated to the hospice where she died.

In 2001, the trustees of her estate approached Guild and asked if we would sell her stash and books, and donate the proceeds to the hospice.

The Guild committee decided to action this request and held a sale at Freemans Bay Hall. There were tables all around the room just full of Dorothy's stuff. Many guild members and the public attended and the proceeds amounted to thousands of dollars.

The proceeds were passed to the trustees of Dorothy's estate, who donated them to the Hospice in Dorothy's name.

In 2001, the Guild chose (and the Dorothy Collard Estate paid for) a magnificent greenstone trophy. The Trustees named it Dorothy Collard Memorial Trophy. They donated it to Guild with enough funding to cover five years of prize money, \$500 per year, for prizes for an annual Dorothy Collard Memorial Challenge.

This trophy was to be held by the winner of the Dorothy Collard Memorial Challenge for one year, until the next exhibition, when it was passed to the next winner. The \$500 yearly prize money was divided up into \$200 for the winner, and \$100 each for three merit prizes.

The first challenge was in 2002.

The theme for that year was "Fabric Passion", because Dorothy had such a passion for fabric and patchwork and quilting.

My entry for that year was a picture of fabric rolls visiting a quilt show showing pregnant Mum and Dad (one metres) with lots of kids (half metres, fat quarters, fat eighths, fat tenths and a scrap in the pram). Title was "Results of Fabric Passion".

In 2007, when the first five years' prize money was used up, we approached the trustees of Dorothy's estate for another five years' worth, which they provided.

In 2012, the Guild decided to cover the funding of the prize money for the future.

In 2024, the current Guild committee has changed the name of the challenge from "Dorothy Collard Memorial Challenge" to "Pounamu Challenge".

Some members (especially some of those who took part) are not happy about this and have requested that the name be changed back to "Dorothy Collard Memorial Challenge" to continue on, as part of the history of the Guild.

## DOROTHY COLLARD MEMORIAL CHALLENGE

YEAR	THEME	WINNER	QUILT TITLE
2002	Fabric Passion	Jean Singleton	
2003	Treasures - Taonga	Dawn Cleary	Grey's Bush
2004	My Auckland	Rosemary Rush	MyAuckland,EastCoastBaysBeaches
2005	<i>Could find no info but trophy says</i>	Rosemary Rush	
2006	In perspective	Carol Fearon	In Perspective: The Tunnel
2007	Walk the Line	Ansa Breytenbach	
2008	Sands of Time	Pauline Coates	
2009	Self Portrait	Alison Laurence	Held by a thread
2010	My City	Hazel Foot	Juxtaposition
2011	I see Green	Hazel Foot	Rejuvenation
2012	Double	Rosemary Rush	
2013	Word Art	Trish Downie	Headspace
2014	The Space Between	Patricia King	Seeing the wood for the trees
2015	NZ Book Title	Rona Keith	Tu
2016	Freedom	Trish Downie	Freedom in play
2017	If I only had time	Val Williams	Oh, to have that time again
2018	Flying Geese	Mary Metcalf	
2019	Reflection	Dianne Dowd	
2020	<i>Covid Cancelled This Year's competition</i>		
2021	Enigma	Karen Robertson	
2022	1920's Era	Kathy Ronson	
2023	Fluid	Alison Laurence	
2024	Pounamu		

The Trophy



Names 2011-2019



Names 2021-2023

