



The Blair Milan Fund

in loving memory of
BLAIR OLIVER HALL MILAN

Dear Friends

Blair Milan, talented actor, much loved son and brother, incredible friend to so many, died on Sunday April 17, 2011. Blair's joyful life was suddenly cut short by Acute Myeloid Leukaemia. His family has been overwhelmed with support, well wishes and messages of love. Now Blair's family and friends have teamed up with Charles Sturt University to form **The Blair Milan Fund** and we are asking your help to ensure his legacy will live on for years to come.

Blair graduated as a Bachelor of Arts (Communication – Theatre/Media) at Charles Sturt University in Bathurst with Distinction in 2003 (as did his sister, Lucy, in 2005). As Blair brought passion to everything he did it only seemed right that we pass on his passion and enthusiasm to future Theatre/Media students.

The Blair Milan Fund will comprise two components:

PART ONE
The Blair Milan Scholarship

A scholarship of \$3000 will be awarded annually to one second year Theatre/Media student who exemplifies the generous artistic spirit and attitude of Blair. The student will be carefully selected by the academic staff of the Theatre/Media course with input from Blair's family and peers. Selection will be based on the student's community involvement, academic and on stage performance as well as goals and motivation. The scholarship aims to encourage students studying Theatre/Media to demonstrate optimism, enthusiasm and a passion for their chosen field.

PART TWO
The Blair Milan Tour

One of the most significant moments in Blair's career was performing in the production *Death's Waiting Room*. This production was originally produced by Theatre/Media students in their final year who were fortunate enough to secure funding to bring the work to Sydney. Funding from the Blair Milan Tour will give other works the same opportunity by providing financial support for the presentation of the work of final year Theatre/Media students before metropolitan and/or regional communities. **An amount of \$7,000** will be provided annually to assist the chosen production which will be selected by academic staff of the Theatre/ Media course with input from Blair's peers and the Milan family. Profits realised from this presentation will be returned to the Blair Milan Touring Fund.

The objective is to raise over \$100,000 so that the annual awards can be funded from the income of the Blair Milan Fund in perpetuity. Lyndey Milan and John Caldon have undertaken to match dollar for dollar (up to \$50,000) the amounts received during the initial fund raising in commemoration of the role played by Blair Milan in their Naked Flame production of *Lyndey and Blair's Taste of Greece* which is currently being shown on SBS.

The Fund Raising

The Blair Milan Fund will sit within the Theatre/Media Foundation of the Charles Sturt University. There are no additional administration costs with the creation of this new Fund.

Administration

We are currently accepting donations by cheque, bank transfer or credit card. Please find the form attached to this email with directions on how you can donate. You will be sent a receipt in order to claim your tax deduction. With your help we will ensure Blair's legacy continues forever through the work and creativity of new Australian artists. Please give generously.

How you can help

MAKE A TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION TO THE BLAIR MILAN FOUNDATION TODAY



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DONATION FORM

PLEASE NOTE: DONATIONS ABOVE \$2.00 ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE

Payment may be made by any of the following three options:

1. Cheque

Please make your cheque payable to:
Charles Sturt University Foundation
The Chancellery Building
Panorama Avenue
Bathurst NSW 2795

2. Transfer of funds

National Australia Bank
Account name: Charles Sturt University Foundation
Reference: Theatre/Media Foundation – Blair Milan Fund
BSB No: 082441
Account No: 517674913

If choosing this option, please send a confirmation email advising of transfer to:
foundation@csu.edu.au

3. Credit Card (please complete the details below)

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