

10. NBR AWARDS FOR BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP OF THE ARTS

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The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for a representative of the Committee to attend the NBR Awards for Business Sponsorship of the Arts in Auckland on Wednesday 29 November 2000.

One of the 21 finalists is “Blue”, the Bill Culbert sculpture at the Convention Centre, along with that of the Andrew Drummond sculpture at the airport and “Madam and the Bastard” with TV1.

Councillor Anna Crighton has been the driver behind the sculpture, having done considerable work in the seeking of funding, arranging the administration of the process to get the artwork, has been a judge on the panel of entrants in a limited competition, and was involved in the subsequent installation of the work.

It is a stunning result for the City of Christchurch to have three finalists. The City’s stand for art in public places is now at a very high profile.

- Recommendation:**
1. That approval be given for a Councillor to attend the NBR Awards for Business Sponsorship of the Arts in Auckland on 29 November 2000.
 2. That the Council representative be paid the usual meeting allowance for the day attending the Awards, plus associated travel and accommodation costs.

Chairman’s Recommendation: That the request be supported.