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ANZAC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP TOURS SINGAPORE AND DARWIN

Students across NSW will have the opportunity to turn their love of history into first-hand experience with applications now open for the Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship.

Premier Dominic Perrottet said the annual Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship tour would give young history buffs the opportunity to develop their knowledge and understanding of the history of Australians at war.

"Twenty students from across NSW will be selected to participate in a two-week study tour of Singapore and Darwin visiting historic sites relating to the Second World War," Mr Perrottet said.

"The experience the students will take from this study tour will be invaluable as they see the impact of the history of Australians at war."

Minister for Transport, Veterans and Western Sydney David Elliott said the tour group would first head to Singapore to visit locations such as Fort Canning Park, Fort Siloso and Changi Prison Chapel and Museum, and then on to Darwin to visit a number of sites including the Military and Aviation museums and the USS *Peary* Memorial.

"Scholarship recipients will learn about the military history of the Second World War and visit locations that felt the full force of the war. Australians fought abroad in Singapore, and our nation experienced the war on our shores during the bombing of Darwin in 1942," Mr Elliott said.

"This is an enlightening opportunity for students from New South Wales, and I encourage all Year 10 and Year 11 history students to apply for the opportunity to be selected."

2022 Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship recipient Meisha Green from MidCoast Christian College described the tour as a life changing experience for which she will always be grateful.

"To be accepted into such a prestigious scholarship was truly humbling and left me with a feeling of duty to take in every bit of knowledge and share that with my community," Miss Green said.

"It opened my eyes to the reality and rawness of what our soldiers had to go through daily and the horrific sights they saw."

The tour will take place in the 2023 Spring school holidays (22 September to 4 October). Eligible students can apply online by submitting a short personal essay, a letter of recommendation, a parent consent form and a copy of a marked history assignment.

Applications will close on 13 March 2023. More information, and details on how to apply are available here.

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