

## Park and Paulay Fund



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We are delighted to advise you that a fund has been established at the University of Canterbury to mark the contributions of Professors Bob Park and Tom Paulay to the fields of structural and earthquake engineering.

We would like to ask that you please make a donation to the:

## **Park and Paulay Fund at the University of Canterbury**

The fund will be used to make awards to outstanding young engineers to help them develop into professionals who will contribute strongly to the fields of structural and earthquake engineering. We believe this is a fitting way in which to honour the huge contributions made by Bob and Tom together and individually.

It is envisaged that the awards would be made annually in response to nominations or applications. Prizes and scholarships in the names of Professor Park and Professor Paulay are intended, together with other ways of commemoration such as the initiation of a regular lecture. The nature, frequency and size of these awards will depend on the total sum raised from donations.

A committee of representatives of the University of Canterbury, the Park family, the Paulay family, and the International Association for Earthquake Engineering will administer the Fund and decide on awards.

Through the generosity of the University of Canterbury Foundation, a registered charity (CC27669), all (100%) of the money donated and all of the earnings will either be re-invested or applied to awards. The University of Canterbury Foundation will meet all administrative, legal and other costs associated with the management of the funds.

Endorsement of such initiatives by the University of Canterbury is rare. The University's enthusiastic endorsement in this case reflects the respect with which Professors Park and Paulay are held and recognizes the world-wide influence they had on the design of reinforced concrete structures and on the practice of earthquake engineering generally.

We urge you to give as generously as you are able, either as a one-off donation or as a pledge over several years. Alternatively, or additionally, you may wish to consider a bequest.

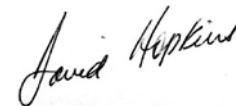
In deciding on your donation please consider the value of the Park and Paulay contributions, and the benefits of encouraging young engineers. The larger the fund, the more appropriately we can honour the ground-breaking work of these two giants of

earthquake engineering and the better we will be able to perpetuate the memory of Tom and Bob as an inspiration to future leaders in these fields.

Be sure that whatever donation you decide to make will be gratefully received and you can take pride in having helped to keep alive the memories of Bob and Tom, their special contributions and their inspiration to others.

If you know of others who may wish to donate to the Fund, please forward the documentation to them, or simply send their name and email address to [ucfoundation@canterbury.ac.nz](mailto:ucfoundation@canterbury.ac.nz).

Thank you for your consideration.



David Hopkins  
Class of 1965  
PhD under Bob Park 1969



Nigel Priestley  
Class of 1963  
PhD under Bob Park 1967  
Faculty member assisting Tom Paulay 1976-1986

## Professor Bob Park

Civil Engineering Department  
University of Canterbury  
1959 to 1999



**Professor Bob Park made an enormous contribution to earthquake and structural engineering through his work at the University of Canterbury, achieving international acclaim and many prestigious awards for his work.**

Together with Professor Tom Paulay, he helped New Zealand to achieve international recognition for its earthquake engineering research and design skills.



Professor Park served as Head of the Department of Civil Engineering from 1978 to 1992 and was Deputy

Vice Chancellor from 1993 until he retired in 1999. As Emeritus Professor of Civil Engineering he remained active in engineering and administrative work until his death in 2004.

Bob Park made major contributions to the development of design standards for reinforced concrete structures in New Zealand, USA and Europe. His work influenced codes in other countries, notably Japan.

Professor Park was much admired by all who knew him, and especially his students and former students, for his capacity for hard work, his ability to define practical engineering solutions and his ability to relate to people professionally and socially.

## Professor Tom Paulay

Civil Engineering Department  
University of Canterbury  
1961 to 1989



**Professor Tom Paulay had a major influence on approaches to the design of reinforced concrete buildings for earthquake. His theoretical and analytical work at the University of Canterbury was revered around the world.**

“Reinforced Concrete Structures” jointly authored with Professor Bob Park and published in 1975, became a valued fundamental text translated into many languages.



Professor Paulay was President of the International Association for Earthquake Engineering (IAEE) from 1992

to 1996. In 2008 he was named by the IAEE as one of the legends of earthquake engineering. He continued an active interest in the subject until 2008 and died in 2009.

Tom Paulay had a major influence on the development of analysis and design standards for reinforced concrete structures in New Zealand and internationally, particularly through his work to develop the concept of capacity design.

Professor Paulay was a Hungarian refugee who came to New Zealand in 1951. His passion and enthusiastic teaching inspired many students and equipped them well as structural designers. He was much admired for his technical achievements, his high integrity and his personable manner to all.

The Park and Paulay Fund has been established in memory of the outstanding contributions of Professor Bob Park and Professor Tom Paulay and to encourage others to follow their example.

# The Park and Paulay Fund Donation Form

## I / We wish to *donate* to The Park and Paulay Fund

The total amount of my/our gift will be

\$

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Cheque enclosed (cheques to be made out to the University of Canterbury Foundation)

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Card number

Expiry date

Name of cardholder (please print)

Signature

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Please indicate if you would like to be kept informed about the fund:  Yes  No

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Telephone

Date

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