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ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEW PRIZES
IN THE AREA OF NABOKOV STUDIES
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Honoring Excellence in Research

1. The New Annual *NOJ* **Prize for the Best Scholarly Contribution in the Area of Nabokov Studies**

The Prize
US $600

2. The New Annual *NOJ* **Award for the Best Student Essay on Nabokov**

First Prize
US $300

and

a copy of the book that will be chosen as the winner in
the category "Best Scholarly Contribution in the Area of Nabokov Studies,"
with the author's autograph.

In addition, the winning undergraduate/graduate essay will be published in the
subsequent issue of the journal.

Second Prize

A gift set of 5 (*five*) latest books in the area of Nabokov Studies;
if feasible, autographed by the authors.

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ENTRIES FOR THE AWARD

Q: How to submit?

<u>Best Book</u>: Entries must be submitted online, to the Editor of the *Nabokov Online Journal*. Nominations should consist of a title and the author's name.

<u>Best Student Essay</u>: Please submit a file saved as a Word document along with an abstract, the author's short bio, and the university adviser's name. All materials will undergo a blind review by the committee members.

Q: Who is eligible?

<u>Best Book</u>:
Both scholars and independent authors are encouraged to apply or be nominated.

<u>Best Student Essay</u>:
Undergraduate or graduate students.

Q: What materials are eligible for consideration?

Materials entered in the *NOJ* competition must be concerned primarily with Vladimir Nabokov.

<u>Best Book</u>:
For the 2012 Award – works published between 2000 and 2011.
For the 2013 Award – works published between 2006 and 2011.
For the 2014 Award – works published between 2010 and 2013.

<u>Best Student Essay</u>:
Any essay, MA thesis, or a chapter from an unpublished Ph.D. dissertation on Vladimir Nabokov, written as part of the author's university or college education.

Q: Language of publication?

<u>Best Book</u>:
Any language will be considered, but anything published in the language other than English or Russian should be accompanied by an abstract and a copy of the Table of Contents in English.

<u>Best Student Essay</u>:
Priority will be given to essays written or translated into English

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Q: Format of the publication?

Best Book:
Preference will be given to a book, but the committee may consider certain exceptions in case of a breakthrough scholarly article written by an established scholar.

Best Student Essay:
This should be previously unpublished material.
Creative projects with a non-written component (photography, video, and music) will also be considered.

Q: Availability

Best Book:
All entries must be made available for purchase by the general public in either hardcover or bound paperback book form. Electronic formats (e-book, website) may be considered as well.

Best Student Essay:
N/A.

Q: Who should make the entry?

Best Book:
Anyone (including the author, the publisher, and/or a critic) may submit a book that is eligible.

Best Student Essay:
Either the author himself/herself, or academic advisers on behalf of their students are welcome to submit entries for the competition.

Q: What is the deadline for entry?

Best Book:
The final deadline for entry in 2012 is February 23.

Best Student Essay:
There is no specific deadline – submissions in this category are accepted throughout the year.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE AWARD

The *Nabokov Online Journal* will award the Prizes annually on the recommendation of the *NOJ* Editorial Board.

Best Book:

The three short-listed finalists will be announced on March 23.

The final selection of the Prize winner is made by the subscribers of the NABOKV-L, within the four weeks after March 23, by casting a virtual "vote" sent to the NABOKV-L editors.
The final results are announced on April 23 – Vladimir Nabokov's birthday.

Best Student Essay:

We will try to select the winners in this category concurrently with the announcement of the Best Book Prize, but reserve the right to postpone the announcement depending on the quality of the submissions.