

English/Philosophy Department Writing Contest

Monroe Community College and the English/Philosophy Department would like to showcase our student's best essays, poems, and short fiction. Please enter the 41st Annual English/Philosophy Writing Contest. Student winners are named in May and invited to an awards reception with their professors and include recognition, a monetary award, and a chance to qualify for a national competition with the League of Innovation for Community Colleges.

Essays may be submitted in the following categories:

~ **Rice Award for best essay:** A thesis-driven essay in any style, including research, argument, analysis, description, narrative, excluding literary analysis or literary explication (not to exceed 2000 words).

~ **Cooney Award for best literary essay:** An essay that analyzes/explicates one or more works of literature (not to exceed 2000 words).

~ **Cloos-Susskind Award for best poem:** A single poem (not to exceed 60 lines).

~ **Langlois Award for best short fiction:** A piece of short fiction (not to exceed 3000 words).

~ **McMurry Award for best philosophical essay:** A thesis-driven essay in philosophy (not to exceed 2000 words).

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

~ The department is currently accepting submissions with a submission deadline of: **12:00 p.m., Monday, April 2, 2012.**

~ Only Fall 2011 or Spring 2012 "for credit" MCC students may enter.

~ All submissions must be submitted by hard copy and must be accompanied by the English/Philosophy Department Writing Contest Entry Form, which you can find attached or in the English Department Offices (Brighton 5-532 or Damon 4225).

~ Each manuscript and completed entry form must be left in 5-532 with Tina Morrill on the MCC Brighton Campus or in Room 4225 with Anne Kirkpatrick on the Damon City Campus.

~ Winners only will be asked for a digital version and an additional League entry form to be entered into the national contest.

~ All submissions must be typed, double spaced, on 8 ½ by 11 paper, free of markings, and free of grammatical and mechanical errors.

~ Winners will be announced early May, 2012.

~ Materials submitted must be original and previously unpublished in any college publications.

If you have any questions, please contact Professor Angelique Johnston at ajohnston@monroecc.edu.

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