

THE KATHERINE WOODALL PRIZE IN LITERARY CRITICISM OR THEORY

The Katherine Woodall Prize is offered by the English Department of Santa Clara University through the generosity of an alumna in collaboration with the Levi-Strauss Corporation. Katherine Woodall's gift to the English Department was made "to encourage and promote scholarship among students at Santa Clara." The Prize, administered by a faculty committee, is designed to acknowledge excellent essays that analyze and/or interpret one or more literary texts or that examine issues in literary criticism or theory. While knowledge of existing critical and theoretical discussions of the text(s) and issues should be an important element in these essays, a persuasive articulation of the author's original contributions to the critical/theoretical discussion is the single most important element in selecting the prize-winning essay.

The winner of the Katherine Woodall Prize in Literary Criticism or Theory will be listed in the Commencement Program and will receive a gift certificate to an area bookstore.

ELIGIBILITY

The Katherine Woodall prize is open to all Santa Clara University senior English majors writing critical or theoretical essays in upper-division English courses. Only essays of a critical, theoretical, and scholarly nature are eligible. (Poetry and Fiction should be submitted to The Academy of American Poets Prize, the Shipsey Poetry Prize, or the McCann Short Story Prize.) Faculty are encouraged to contact students who have written excellent essays for their recent courses, although students may also submit essays on their own. Essays submitted for the Woodall prize must have been written for courses offered in the Spring 2009, Fall 2009, or Winter 2010 quarters. Essays may have been revised. Students in senior seminars may submit essays for both the Woodall and Lievestro prizes, but may win only one of these prizes. A student can submit no more than two essays.

MANUSCRIPT FORMAT GUIDELINES

Manuscripts must double-spaced and formatted for 8 1/2 by 11 inches paper. Each manuscript must include (1) a **cover page** with the author's name, student identification number, address, phone number, email address (if available), along with the manuscript title, instructor's name and title of the course for which the paper was written, and the date the paper was originally written; and (2) a **title page** giving only the manuscript title. The cover page will be removed so that each submission can be read anonymously. If the author's name appears anywhere except on the cover page, the manuscript will be disqualified. Manuscripts should use current MLA guidelines for format and documentation.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINE

Manuscripts must be received by the Katherine Woodall Prize Committee **no later than April 12, 2010**. Winners will be notified by Friday May 7, 2010. All manuscripts and correspondence should be e-mailed Miranda Kollath at MKollath@scu.edu. Please send manuscript as an attachment, do not paste into the body of your email.