



The Rubin Essay Award

1st Prize - \$3,000, 2nd Prize - \$2,000, 3rd Prize - \$1,000

Through a generous donation by the Shelley & Donald Rubin foundation, John Jay College undergraduate students may compete in The Rubin Essay Contest based on the art exhibited at the Rubin Museum of Art.

Essay Topic:

Choose a work or set of works of art from the collection of the Rubin Museum of Art. Write an essay about the work (or works) that explores how the piece or pieces define or express the idea of justice. Your essay may consider any of a wide range of issues, including but not limited to: justice as it relates to retribution and punishment; justice as it relates to death; justice as it relates to the possible differences between what gods and human beings consider fair; justice as it relates to violence and non-violence.

Essay format:

The essay should be 1,000 to 3,000 words long; typed in Times New Roman size 12 font; and spaced at 1.5. The first page of the essay should be a title page with the student's name and the last four digits of the SS#. All other pages should **only have the last 4 digits of the SS#.**

Museum Visits:

Free Admission for all John Jay students through June 30, 2012

The Rubin Museum of Art is located at:

150 West 17th Street

NYC, NY 10011

212.620.5000

RMANYC.org

Eligibility:

Undergraduates - Freshman through Senior standing

Must be in good academic standing (cumulative GPA of 2.0+)

Note: Freshmen who are currently in their 1st semester and do not yet have a cumulative grade point average are eligible to apply.

Deadline:

February 15, 2012

Hardcopy submissions are due at the Office of Honors, Awards & Special Opportunities no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 15, 2012. Please note that no electronic submissions will be accepted.

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