Applicants Sought for Annual Undergraduate Arts Prizes

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Students are invited to apply for the Louis Sudler Prize in the Arts and the President’s Commendation for Achievement in the Arts in recognition of outstanding accomplishment in the arts for the 2017–2018 academic year.

Students who are in good standing and on track to receive a degree in May 2016 may apply simultaneously for both of the university’s annual undergraduate arts awards by submitting separate applications for each award. Applicants must specify whether they are applying for one award or both awards.

Application materials must be electronically submitted by 11:59 p.m. EST, Sunday, March 25, 2018. Full guidelines, application forms and submission details may be found at http://getintothearts.jhu.edu/sudlerprize/.

The Sudler Prize in the Arts is awarded each year to a graduating senior from the Zanvyl Krieger School of Arts and Sciences, the G.W.C. Whiting School of Engineering, or the Peabody Institute, or a fourth-year student in the School of Medicine, who has demonstrated the highest standard of proficiency in one or more of the performing or creative arts. It may be given for performance, execution, or composition in the field of music, theater, dance, creative writing, film, visual arts, or allied areas of artistic endeavor. The Sudler Prize is given to a student whose submission is not related to his or her major field of study. The winner receives a $1,500 cash award, and his or her name appears in the commencement program.

The President’s Commendation for Achievement in the Arts is a service award honoring a graduating undergraduate senior who has contributed extensively to the arts in the Homewood and/or Baltimore communities. Graduating undergraduate seniors from the Zanvyl Krieger School of Arts and Sciences, the G.W.C. Whiting School of Engineering, or the Peabody Institute may apply for the commendation. All art forms are eligible for consideration. The winner of the commendation receives a certificate, and his or her name appears in the commencement program.

A committee of faculty and administrators from the Homewood campus, the Peabody Institute and the School of Medicine will review nominees for the arts awards and their supporting materials and make recommendations to President Daniels, who will make the final selections.

The Louis Sudler Prize in the Arts has been honoring undergraduate students with artistic talent
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since 1983. It was made possible through the generosity of Louis Sudler, a Chicago businessman and philanthropist who died in 1992.

Besides Johns Hopkins, the award is given out at universities including Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Columbia, Purdue, Duke, Rice, Stanford, Emory, and Michigan State, Dartmouth College, Oberlin College, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The President’s Commendation for Achievement in the Arts was established in 1989 by Steven Muller, Johns Hopkins president from 1972 to 1990.

Any questions concerning the Sudler Prize and President’s Commendation should be directed to sudlerprize@jhu.edu.

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