

English News



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Department News

Professor Crystal Downing published an essay in December, in the journal *VII: An Anglo-American Literary Review*, entitled "Feminist Nay-Sayers: Are Women Human?" In January, Downing was invited to speak about Dorothy L. Sayers at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, where she had two treats: a private tour of all Frank Lloyd Wright sites in Madison, and lunch with a graduate student who is using Downing's book on Sayers for her Masters Thesis.

Alumni News

Opportunities

***The London Review of Books* is holding a competition for young reviewers.** The prize for the best entry is £1000 and a one-year subscription to the LRB. Prizes may also be awarded for runners-up. Each entrant should submit one review, praising or unpraising, between 2500 and 3000 words long, of any work of fiction or poetry published after the beginning of 2007. The review must be original, unpublished work (it is allowed to have appeared in a student periodical). Entrants must be under the age of 26 at the closing date, 2 June 2008. Please send submissions, along with contact details, to competition@lrb.co.uk (as an attachment), or by post to:

The Editors
London Review of Books
28 Little Russell Street

London

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Or visit <http://www.lrb.co.uk/competition/> for more information about *The London Review of Books* and submission guidelines.

Submit your prose, poetry, and photography to the spring 2008 Minnemingo Review by March 13.

E-mail submissions to ds1284@messiah.edu. You can submit up to four pieces. Prose pieces should not exceed 1500 words.

Bucknell University has a master of arts in English. The program offers assistanships and tuition remission. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis starting March 1. For more information, visit www.bucknell.edu/English.xml.

The New York Times is holding a "Modern Love" essay contest for undergraduate students. Essays between 1,500 and 2,000 words illustrating the current state of love and relationships should be e-mailed (attached as a Word document AND pasted within the body of the e-mail and including name, e-mail address, phone number, college and year of graduation) to essaycontest@nytimes.com by March 31. The winning author will receive \$1,000 and their essay will be published in the *New York Times*. Visit <http://www.nytimes.com/ads/marketing/modernlove/> for complete rules and guidelines.

Gannett Co., Inc.

(www.gannett.com) is accepting applications for the 2008 class of

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its award-winning Talent Development Program. More information and an application can be found at <http://www.gannett.com/leadershipanddiversity/summer/> Gannett seeks graduating seniors interested in advertising sales, television/print/online reporting, circulation, finance and broadcast producing opportunities. They place a premium on students who are bilingual and possess strong multimedia skills. Applicants will be trained and offered a full-time position.

Applications are due by February 29, 2008 for consideration for the program. All applicants will be notified by April 18, 2008 of their selection status.

The Chronicle of Higher Education seeks interns for the summer 2008 session, which will begin in June. The internships are full-time in Washington, D.C., and will last through August 2008. In addition to a stipend, academic credit can often be arranged. The interns' primary responsibilities are reporting and writing daily news articles for *The Chronicle's* Web site (which usually appear subsequently in print), contributing brief features to the "Short Subjects" section, writing news articles for other sections of the newspaper, and doing research for special projects. There is very little grunt work. Interns who prove themselves as reporters and writers are often asked to write full-length features. Candidates must have experience writing for publication, whether at a student newspaper or a professional publication. Experience in writing news articles on tight deadlines is especially appreciated. Applications must be received by February 29, 2008.

Applicants should send a cover letter, résumé, and a maximum of five impressive clips to:
Don Troop
Internship Coordinator

The Chronicle of Higher Education
1255 23rd Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20037
Entries are now being accepted for the 28th annual Lorian Hemingway Short Story Competition, created to recognize and encourage the efforts of writers who have not yet achieved major-market success. Writers will compete for a \$1,000 first prize, \$500 second prize, and \$500 third prize in this internationally acclaimed competition. Several honorable mentions are also awarded each year. Stories in all genres of fiction are welcome. Maximum length is 3,000 words, and writers retain all rights to their work. The final deadline is May 15, 2008; winners will be announced at the end of July. Visit

www.shortstorycompetition.com for further background and listings of previous winners and for complete submission guidelines. Or e-mail shortstorykw@aol.com with questions.

The application deadline for the School of Writing at Canadian Mennonite University is March 1, 2008. The School of Writing offers workshops in fiction, poetry, and life writing, Monday-Friday, May 19-23, 2008. Classes are limited to 10 people. The poetry, intermediate fiction, and advanced fiction classes require a portfolio submission. Some financial aid is available. Visit www.cmu.ca for more information and an application.

Saint Louis University's Madrid campus offers a dual degree graduate program in English Language and Literature. For more information, visit http://spain.slu.edu/academics/ac_gradcour_ma_eng_adm.html. **Drew University offers a one-year master of arts in teaching program.** Teaching certificates can be earned in biology, chemistry, English, math, Spanish, and social studies. Visit <http://www.drew.edu/grad.aspx> for more information.

Western Reading Services announces its 2008 Poetry Contest. Poems from public and private learning institutions are desired for *In Other Words*. A \$250 prize will be awarded to the poet whose poem is selected as editor's choice. The deadline is March 31, 2008. Poets are limited to two poems, with a maximum length of 30 lines each. Place your name and mailing address at the top of each page and mail poems to
Editor: In Other Words
Western Reading Services
P.O. Box 24547
Denver, Colorado 80224-0547

The Pennsylvania Women's Press Association offers a \$1,500 scholarship to print journalist majors who are Pennsylvania residents and junior, senior, or graduate level. Application deadline is April 25, 2008. The application form is posted on the English Department bulletin board, and can be copied for submission.

The Mennonite Church USA Historical Committee is sponsoring a history essay contest. The deadline for the John Horsch Mennonite History Essay Contest is June 15, 2008. First place in each category will win \$100 plus a one-year subscription to *Mennonite Quarterly Review*, second place participants will receive \$75, and third place participants will receive \$50. More information about guidelines and submission can be found at <http://www.mcusa-archives.org/>.

Earn college credit for working on your novel over the summer. Skidmore College offers a summer writer's institute June 30-July 25, 2008.

Undergraduate course credit is available. Visit <http://cms.skidmore.edu/odsp/programs/arts/writers/index.cfm> for more details and application information.

New York University School of Continuing and Professional Studies offers a summer publishing institute for recent graduates wanting to enter the field of publishing. For more information and applications, visit <http://www.scps.nyu.edu/areas-of-study/publishing/continuing-education/summer-publishing-institute.html>.

The Iowa Summer Writing Festival offers 130 workshops. Writers 21 and over can study June 8-July 25, 2008 at either week-long or weekend workshops. For more information, visit www.uiowa.edu/~iswfest.

The University of Denver offers a summer Publishing Institute. Participants can engage an editing workshop, a marketing workshop, special sessions on career development, and a tour of Fulcrum Publishing Inc. For more information visit <http://www.du.edu/pi/>.