

The BCC Reads! Scholarship Awards

Scholarship Rules and Submission Procedures

2008-09

Scholarships: BCC offers individual scholarships in conjunction with our *BCC Reads!* program. One is reserved exclusively for submissions from students currently in a developmental English course. Scholarships will pay one quarter's tuition costs, up to a maximum of \$932.00. A maximum of 3 scholarships will be awarded, depending upon available funds. (Winning group submissions will result in the award being divided equally among the group members.)

Eligibility: All BCC students enrolled for Winter term 2009, full- or part-time in an academic transfer course or a professional/technical program, are invited to apply. An individual applicant may apply for a single scholarship and with a single submission only.

Originality: Preference will be given to those entries that draw original, insightful inferences—whether intuitive or analytical—from the text.

Submissions: Students interested in applying must

(1) Read Ray Bradbury's *The Martian Chronicles*.

(2) Create a presentation that addresses the themes of the book and the problems and possibilities presented, using the following guidelines:

- A wide range of formats will be accepted: students may write an essay, create a software program, design a visual interpretation, perform a dance or musical interpretation, produce a website, for example.
- Preference will be given to those projects that either connect with the local community or connect with the student's own experiences, whether in this or another country.
- Submissions may deal with any aspects that interest the applicant:
 - ethnographic—story collections, essays, memoirs, for example.
 - cultural
 - economic
 - social
 - political
 - historical
 - literary
 - artistic
 - technological
 - multimedia
 - other

(3) Obtain an endorsement from a faculty member concerning the suitability of a proposed project. Students may gain such an endorsement whether or not they happen to be in a course

that is studying *The Martian Chronicles*. The project may result from a course assignment, an extra-credit project, or simply the initiative of a student who wishes to try for an award. Endorsements may be provided by teaching faculty, library faculty, and faculty associated with the various laboratories. Faculty members may not judge their own students.

Due Date:

All entries must be submitted no later than **3:00 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2009**. Written papers should be in hard copy as well as electronic, since they are checked for originality.

Submission Requirements:

1. To be eligible, entries **must** be accompanied by
 - A. a faculty endorsement.
 - B. a brief statement by the applicant (**100 words or less**)
 - indicating the nature of the submission (interpretive dance, software program, essay, website, and so forth);
 - explaining **clearly** its connection to *The Martian Chronicles*;
 - indicating current enrollment in a BCC developmental English course (if applicable);
 - indicating permission as to whether or not the submission can be included in a display during Spring quarter. (Students' decisions to grant or not to grant permission for display will not affect judging in any way.)
2. Submit projects to one of the following:
 - The Secretary, Humanities Division R230
 - The Secretary, Science Division L200
 - The Secretary, Social Science Division D110
 - The Secretary, Business Division A242
 - The Secretary, IR N212
 - North Campus, W100
3. Winners will be announced during the week of March 9.

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