Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association’s 2016 Awards and Prizes

Ottoman and Turkish Studies (OTSA) is happy to announce its annual award and prize competitions for 2016. Please send your award materials as directed under each award/prize category (note that deadlines vary by category) and contact committee chairs directly for more information.

THE SYDNEY N. FISHER GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER PRIZE

An annual prize for the best paper in Turkish or Ottoman studies written by a graduate student in Turkish or Ottoman studies during the preceding academic year (i.e., 2015-16 for the award given in 2016). This award is sponsored by the Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association with the generous support of the M. Münir Ertegün Foundation. The winning paper will be considered for publication in the Journal of Ottoman and Turkish Studies (JOTSA).

Applicants must submit the following as attachments to an email:
* Submit one electronic copy (as a PDF) of the paper
* The address, phone number, and e-mail of the author
* The name and address of the author’s academic advisor

Deadline: Materials must be sent by June 15, 2016.
Materials should be emailed to Dr. Julia Phillips Cohen at julia.p.cohen@vanderbilt.edu
Award: $200

HALİDE EDİP ADIVAR SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

The annual scholarship from the OTSA Halide Edip Adivar fund provides an introduction to Turkey for qualified undergraduate students who have not had extensive prior experience in Turkey or in Turkish studies. The $1000 award is to be used for travel to Turkey and/or, while there, to supplement participation in a program in Turkish language, a study-abroad program, or a work internship; or for study or research in any aspect of Turkey’s history, culture or society. Applicants must currently be enrolled in a degree program at an institution of higher education, but may be a graduating senior. Applicants also must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States or Canada.

Deadline: Receipt by mail or email by April 15, 2016
Award to be announced by April 30, 2016

Submission Address:
Dr. Erika Gilson
ehgilson@Princeton.EDU

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Dr. Erika Gilson
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The winner must make use of the award within a twelve month period, beginning the summer after the award is granted. Thus, a scholarship awarded in April 2016 is to be used in the summer of 2016 or the 2016-2017 academic year.

Application Requirements
1) Statement of Purpose: how the proposed time in Turkey links to the applicant’s experiences, interests and goals; to include the proposed date of stay in Turkey and specifics of the study venue (e.g. under whose auspices, contact numbers etc.)
2) Curriculum Vitae
3) Official Academic Transcript. To be sent directly by the university to Dr. Erika Gilson ehgilson@Princeton.EDU (postmarked by April 15, 2016)
4) Two Letters of Recommendation: Recommenders should address letters to the Adivar Selection Committee and email them directly to Dr. Erika Gilson: ehgilson@Princeton.EDU
Deadline: April 15, 2016
Award: $1000

M. FUAT KÖPRÜLÜ BOOK PRIZE

An annual prize awarded for the best book in the area of Ottoman and Turkish studies published in the previous year (copyright date of 2015), sponsored by the Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association with the generous support of the M. Münir Ertegün Foundation.
Nominations may be made by the author, colleagues, publisher, or friends.
  * Three copies of the nominated book should be provided—1 copy to each of the reviewers listed below, along with:
    * The address, phone number, and e-mail of the author; and,
    * An addressed postcard for acknowledgment of receipt.
Copies of the books and nominations should be sent to the following addresses:

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Deadline: May 15, 2016
Award: $1000

Emine Evered, PhD, Secretary
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