2016-2017 Ina Coolbrith Memorial Prize

Friends of Ina Coolbrith, the first Poet Laureate of California, established the Ina Coolbrith Poetry Prizes in 1933. Approximately five hundred dollars is available annually for prizes that are apportioned by the judging campus. First, second, and third place awards are given to undergraduate students who submit the best-unpublished poem or group of poems. Entrants must be students from any of the University of California campuses, the University of the Pacific, Mills College, Stanford University, the University of Santa Clara, or St. Mary's College.

An anonymous panel selects at most three UCSB entries, with each consisting of a single poem or group of poems written by an UCSB undergraduate from any of the campus colleges. The manuscripts of the UCSB finalists are then forwarded to UC Berkeley for the final round of judging, which concludes in March 2017.

Entrants must be undergraduates admitted and enrolled full-time (at least 12 units) in at least one regular quarter of the current academic year (not including Summer Sessions) in one of the UCSB colleges. Filing for a degree does not constitute enrollment for that academic year.

Students may enter more than one contest but may not submit the same manuscript, or portions of the same manuscript, to more than one contest. Duplicate manuscripts or portions thereof will disqualify the entries. Entries to UCSB writing contests may not include work that has previously won prizes or has been selected to represent UCSB in this or other campus contests.

Each page of the manuscript submitted must include the following information in the upper right-hand corner:
- The last four digits of the entrant's perm number
- The name of the contest. (i.e., Ina Coolbrith Memorial Prize)
- The number of pages of your submission

DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON ANY OF THE MANUSCRIPT PAGES. DOING SO WILL ELIMINATE YOUR ENTRY! Your name only goes onto the supplied entry form.

As manuscripts will not be returned to students, a copy should be submitted. Manuscripts selected to represent UCSB will be filed in the UCSB English Department archives. Manuscripts winning a Coolbrith Prize are filed in the University Archives at the Bancroft Library on the Berkeley campus.

Manuscripts should be typewritten or clearly printed. Do not submit hand-written manuscripts. Please limit total submission length to five pages.

Applicants must agree that submissions to any University prize contest in no way limits the subsequent sale and publication of the material, as well as the University's right to circulate the work submitted for any purpose including donor review. Previously published materials, with the exception of materials that have appeared in campus publications, are not eligible. The University does not hold itself responsible for possible loss or damage thereto.

In the event that two or more contributions of approximately the same merit are submitted for any prize, judges and the Department of English reserve the right to apportion the award.

Any portion of a prize may be withheld if in the opinion of the judges no manuscript merits the award.

Please note: the final judging of the Coolbrith Prize is rotated from campus to campus. Judges remain anonymous.

UCSB SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Friday, December 2, 2016 at 4:00pm
All UCSB entries must be turned in outside the English Advisor’s Office, South Hall room 3432-B, no later than this date, with a completed entry form attached. The entry form is available on the back of this flyer and online at the department website.
Full Name (print clearly): ________________________________________________________

Major: ___________________________ College: ______________________________

Local Address: _____________________________________________________________

Local Telephone Number: ____________________________________________________

E-mail address: _____________________________________________________________

UCSB Perm.# __________________

Title(s) of Poem(s): _________________________________________________________

How Many Pages Are Being Submitted? ______________________________________

Please limit submissions to at most five pages

Please read and initial the boxes below. They must be initialed to enter this contest.

☐ I agree that submissions to any University prize contest in no way limits the subsequent sale and publication of the material, as well as the University’s right to circulate the work submitted for any purpose including donor review. Previously published materials, with the exception of materials that have appeared in campus publications, are not eligible. The University does not hold itself responsible for possible loss or damage thereto.

☐ I attest that this entry has not been published, has not been entered in another contest in its entirety or any portion thereof, has not been a winning entry and has not been selected to represent UCSB in this or any other contest. I know that if any of these factors are found to be true, my submission will be eliminated.

☐ I realize that manuscripts will not be returned and that a copy should be submitted, that manuscripts selected to represent UCSB will be filed in the UCSB English Department archives, and that manuscripts winning in Ina Coolbrith Memorial Prize are filed in the University Archives at the Bancroft Library on the Berkeley campus.

☐ I am an admitted and enrolled full-time undergraduate student with at least 12 units in a least one regular quarter of the current academic year (not including Summer Sessions) in one of the UCSB colleges. I know that filing for a degree does not constitute enrollment for that academic year.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________________________

Entries due at 3432-B South Hall by:

Friday, December 2, 2016, 4:00 p.m.