Richard III Society offers cash prizes for students and schools

2006 is the Golden Jubilee of the Richard III Society. To mark the 50th anniversary of its refoundation the society is offering cash prizes to young people — and to their schools — who have something to show us, or tell us, relating to Richard III.

Written Competition (Students aged 15-18)

Prizes are being offered for the best pieces of written work on the theme RICHARD III: THE MAN AND THE MYTH

Notes for guidance:

It is envisaged that competitors may wish to address some of the following points. However, these are in no way prescriptive, nor is it envisaged that competitors would necessarily try to tackle all of them:

Richard's claim to the throne; his record in government; the means he employed; his physical appearance and its significance; the evolution of his reputation.

Entries should have a maximum length of 2000 words Entries may be hand-written or word-processed.

Creative Art (students aged 11-16)

Prizes are also offered for the best poster advertising a place or event connected with Richard III.

Posters may be 'present' or 'past', i.e. designed as though they were modern advertisements, or as though they dated from the fifteenth century, or from some other period in the past. (Ideas for appropriate sites or events can be found in any book on Richard III, or on the <u>Society's website</u>.)

Poster designs should be submitted on A3 paper.

Competition Rules

- All entries must be the original work of the named competitor
- Work must be submitted by the closing date of 31 January 2006
- The Richard III Society cannot be responsible for lost or damaged work
- Entries cannot be returned
- The Richard III Society reserves the right to exhibit and publish, at its discretion, any competition entries, properly attributed, and shall, for this purpose hold the copyright of such material for a period of twelve months from 31 January 2006.
- Art work may be in any medium suitable for a poster
- All written work must be in good English and legible
- All competitors must be certified by their schools as being within the specified age groups
- All judges decisions are final

Prizes

In both competitions prizes will be awarded as follows:

❖ FIRST PRIZE

- £100 to the student + one year's free membership of the Richard III Society
- £100 to the school + a copy of *Good King Richard* for the school library

❖ SECOND PRIZE

£60 to the student and £60 to the school

❖ THIRD PRIZE

• £30 to the student and £30 to the school

Submission of Entries:

Entries should be accompanied by a note, on school headed paper, of the name and age of the candidate, and contact details. They should be sent by the closing date of 31 January 2006 to:

❖ WRITTEN COMPETITION:

Jane Trump, Gorsedene, Bagshot Road, Knaphill, GU21 2SF

❖ POSTER COMPETITION:

• John Ashdown-Hill, 8 Thurlston Close, Colchester CO4 3HF

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