

Virginia Woolf Society of Great Britain

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Julia Briggs Memorial Prize 2013

The Virginia Woolf Society of Great Britain is holding an essay competition in memory of acclaimed Woolf scholar and VWSGB Executive Council member Julia Briggs, who died in August 2007.

The competition is open to members and non-members (except for the Executive Council and Editorial Committee of the VWSGB, the judges, and families of the above). Entries should be sent to Ruth Webb, 15 Southcote Road, London SE25 4RG, to **arrive by 1 October 2012**.

The competition rules and entry form are provided below. Entrants should read these carefully and return the signed form with the entry. If you have any queries or would like another entry form, please email Sarah M. Hall on smhall123@yahoo.co.uk.

Please note that student membership costs only £10 for those at UK addresses and £15 for those at overseas addresses per calendar year.

Competition Rules

The essay should be written in response to the following:

'I want to give the whole of the present society' (Diary, Vol. 4, p. 151)
Discuss Woolf's representation of social and/or political concerns in any of her writings.

It should be given a **title of the entrant's choosing**, and should be between 2,000 and 2,500 words in length. The essay must be the original work of the named entrant, and previously unpublished in print or any other medium. Student coursework is acceptable. No late hard copies sent by post will be accepted, even if an e-mail copy has been received before 1 October 2012.

Entrants should supply **THREE typed copies of the essay** on A4 paper, printed on one side only, double-spaced (or 1.5) and in a font size no smaller than 10-point. The VWSGB would be grateful if entrants would also send a copy of their entries by e-mail attachment, so that shortlisted essays may be sent to the editorial committee of the *Virginia Woolf Bulletin* for consideration.

The competition will be judged by eminent Woolf scholars Maggie Humm and Anna Snaith, and by VWSGB Vice-Chair and Woolf biographer Ruth Webb. The decision of the judges is final. The VWSGB reserves the right not to award the prize if, in the judges' opinion, none of the entries attains the required standard. Otherwise the winner will be contacted in mid-December 2012.

The winner will receive a cheque for **£250**, presented at the VWSGB's AGM in central London, early in April 2013, and the winning essay will be published in the *Virginia Woolf Bulletin*. If the winner is unable to attend the AGM, the prize will be sent by secure mail.

Please Note

No entry will be accepted without the signed entry form below, which should be attached to the first page of the first 'hard copy' of the essay. There should be no personal details on the essay pages themselves. The VWSGB cannot return entries. Acknowledgement of receipt BY POST can only be given to UK entrants, and only if they supply an SAE containing the confirmation slip below.

All entrants may email ruthwebb@talk21.com if they would like acknowledgement BY EMAIL.

VWSGB / Julia Briggs Memorial Prize 2013 – Entry Form

Please complete the details below in block capitals.

Name: _____

Address (no P.O. Box or company addresses are acceptable):

Phone: _____

Entrant's essay title:

Email address: _____

I have read the competition rules and agree to comply with them,

Signed: _____

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