

New Millennium Writings is pleased to present the New Millennium Awards 24 for Fiction, Poetry, & Nonfiction (which had a final deadline of July 31, 2007)

The **winning entries** will appear in our 2008 issue, which contestants will receive in late Summer. Winners were as follows:

Stephen Irwin of Samford, Queensland, Australia, won the \$1,000 Fiction Award for "Tail the Barney," the story of three friends on a dark mission, with a twist at the end that is both earned and haunting. Trust me when I tell you, I never saw it coming... but should've.

Britton Gildersleeve of Tulsa, OK and **M. Garrett Bauman** of Nunda, NY are co-winners of the Nonfiction Award, and will share the \$1,000 first prize. Gildersleeve won for "Anomie," a story about the mythic bonds that unite individuals despite geographic forces that shape their identities. Bauman won for "Snake Dreaming," a discourse on the role played by vestiges of the reptilian brain that underlies and often undermines the higher aspirations of humankind. Both writers drew upon a wide variety of personal experience in expressing their visions.

Ellen Sullins of Tucson, AZ has won the \$1,000 Poetry Award for her poem, "The Visible Spectrum," a passionate evocation of the unseen world and the limits of knowledge regarding ourselves and the sufferings of others.

Adrienne Pond of Austin, TX and Louise Aronson of San Francisco, CA are co-winners of the Short-Short Fiction Award, and will share the \$1,000 first prize. Pond won for her post-modern offering, "No Longer Strangers," a lush and evocative story about a man "on the road to lure." Aronson won for "After," a realistic inside look at the plight of an injured veteran long after he leaves the front.

Those receiving **Honorable Mentions** are listed as follows, by category. All Poetry runners-up will be published in the next issue. The top 3 runners-up in Short-short fiction are eligible for publication. Unfortunately, space constraints prevent making the same offer in fiction and nonfiction categories.

| Fiction | Nonfiction | Poetry New! | Short-Short Fiction |
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| 1. Don Mitchell, | Sheila MacAvoy, | Alice Owens Johnson, | 1. Eve Brown-Waite, |
| Colden, NY | Santa Barbara, CA | Black Mountain, NC | Deerfield, MA |
| Jeffrey Gibbs, | Joni Bour, | Alinda Wasner, | 2. Sarah Coury, |
| Somerville, MA | Florence, OR | Lansing, MI | Marshall, MI |