

C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest GUIDELINES

1. All students enrolled at Mennonite and Brethren in Christ colleges and universities are eligible to enter the contest.
2. Orations should be on the general theme of the application of the Christian peace position to contemporary concerns.
3. Orations should not be longer than 1500 words. Not more than ten percent may be quoted material.
4. The winning oration from each school must be submitted in two forms: typed in manuscript AND recorded clearly on miniDV, DV cam or DVD. The manuscript should include a title page which lists the student's name, the school and the title of the speech. Videos/discs should be labeled likewise. The student's name and school should not appear on any page of the manuscript other than the title page.
5. Three judges will be selected by Peace and Justice Ministries, the body serving as administrator of the bi-national contest. The judges will be chosen in order to provide persons who combine theological knowledge, historical perspective and rhetorical competence. None of the judges will be from the colleges participating in the contest.
6. Cash awards for the winning orations in the intercollegiate, bi-national contest will be made as follows: 1st Place: \$300; 2nd Place: \$225; 3rd Place: \$200. Additionally, scholarships will be provided for the top three orators to attend a peace-related conference or seminar of their choice in consultation with Peace and Justice Ministries and an advisor. The scholarships may be used for registration fees and/or travel costs. Maximum scholarship amounts are as follows: 1st Place: \$500; 2nd and 3rd Places: \$200.
7. The text of the winning oration will be made available to *Mennonite Weekly Review* for publication.
8. The directors of the C. Henry Smith Trust retain publication rights of winning orations.