NDLTD Creative Writing Open Access ETD Award [Proposal 3 December 2010]

- Add as new award category to NDLTD Awards program as listed at http://www.ndltd.org/events_and_awards/awards/call-for-nominations-ndltd-etd-awards-2010

The Creative Writing Open Access ETD Award recognizes direct or indirect publishing successes with Open Access Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETDs) in the field of creative writing.

Eligibility, Nomination Procedures and Evaluation Criteria

- Nominations will be reviewed by members of the NDLTD Board of Directors Awards Committee. Current members of the NDLTD Awards Committee are not eligible for nomination.

- Winners are encouraged, but not required, to attend the ETD Symposium. We request that winners who cannot attend the Symposium record a video acceptance message (approximately 2 - 3 minutes) that can be presented at the Symposium Awards ceremony and distributed online, or provide an acceptance message in writing (500 words or less).

- Nomination letters should include:
  - A brief description (1,000 words or less) of background information, details of the merits of the work and justification for nomination.
  - Additional letters of support from faculty, administrators, students, Library or Graduate School Dean, Provost, and others.
  - Complete contact information for both the nominator and nominee, including home and/or University postal and email addresses.

- Nominations must be sent by email to ETD Awards Committee Chair John Hagen (West Virginia University) at John.Hagen@mail.wvu.edu.

- Deadline for Nominations: June 15, 2011

Specific Awards Category Information and Requirements

Creative Writing Open Access ETD Award

A creative writing student whose professional life has been enhanced by open access and the ETD process (not to include the value of the degree earned) will be recognized.

- The ETD must be available online (i.e. in the institutional repository) as open access.

- Self-nomination is appropriate for this award.
• The nomination for this award should include a short essay (1,000 words or less) describing the student's ETD experience and how it improved or changed their graduate experience and their professional life.

• Documentation should include the student’s record of successful publishing outcomes, and, where possible or relevant, book reviews, awards, honors, usage statistics, citations, media coverage, etc.

• The ETD must be completed and approved at the time of nomination.

• There is no time limit on when the ETD may have been completed.

• There may be up to two winners.

• Each winner will receive $1,000.*

*I.R.S regulations require the NDLTD to report all award amounts distributed; citizens of the United States must provide a valid Social Security number to receive award distributions. Winners must agree to the conditions set forth in the eligibility requirements listed here and NDLTD policy. Winners must also agree to make acceptance / acknowledgment / documentation materials available to the NDLTD for the purpose of international promotions.