

Honors Day Convocation

ROSSE HALL

10:45 a.m.

April 14, 2026

Program

Julie C. Kornfeld, President, *presiding*

Paula C. Turner, Professor of Physics, *Faculty Marshal*

Processional

Please stand (as able)

Scioto Brass

Welcome

Julie C. Kornfeld, President

Conferring of Honorary Degrees

Mariana R. Cook P'17

Presented by Royal W.F. Rhodes H'18

James F. Parker '81 P'10

Presented by Jaret S. Treber

LaShaunda M. Robinson '09

Presented by Harry Itagaki H'21

Anthem

"Gaudete omnes"

"Everyone rejoice and be happy, for behold, the desired one has come. Enter into his presence with exulting; know that this is our expected one. Alleluia."

Composed by Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

Sung by the Kenyon College Chamber Singers

Directed by Benjamin R. Locke, Professor of Music

Awards and Honors

Trustee Teaching Excellence Awards

Cornelia I. Hallinen '76 H'91, Trustee Emerita

Recognition of David Eaton, Scioto Brass

President Kornfeld

Fellowships and Awards

President Kornfeld

Academic Departmental and Program Prizes

Jeffrey A. Bowman, Provost

College Prizes

Celestino J. Limas, Vice President for Student Affairs

Closing Remarks

President Kornfeld

Recessional

Please stand (as able)

Scioto Brass

Honorary Degrees

Doctor of Fine Arts

Mariana Ruth Cook P'17

Mariana Ruth Cook, dynamic photographer and devoted Kenyon parent, your camera has with captivating alertness opened our eyes to the world. As the last living protege of the legendary Ansel Adams, iconic landscape photographer, you set out upon your own path, emphasizing portraiture in natural light with the traditional process of black-and-white images. Each of your photos is an epiphany of unseen beauty suddenly disclosed. Your career has included solo shows and contributions in numerous museums and galleries worldwide, including New York, Hong Kong, Madrid and Berlin. This year in Basel, Switzerland, a major exhibition accompanied by a book and film documentary will highlight your prolific accomplishments. Your photographs have been clear-eyed and meditative portraits of leadership, justice and courage, shown in the faces of Nelson Mandela, Archbishop Tutu, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and a young couple in Chicago in 1996: Barack and Michelle Obama. Alongside these are mathematicians, scientists, economists, writers and artists. You also gave us tender collections with your books: couples, mothers and sons, fathers and daughters. Even everyday objects, including stone walls and the relocated boulders of glacial erratics, have become true subjects magically transformed with the grace of your gaze. The aperture you use to catch the world has also caught our hearts to love the world more.

Presented by Royal W.F. Rhodes H'18
Professor Emeritus of Religious Studies

Doctor of Science

LaShaunda Marie Robinson '09

LaShaunda Marie Robinson, you embody what hard work, persistence, intelligence and a warm heart can do in life. Few people would have been able to overcome all that you have faced. From being homeless, living in a car with your mother who suffers from mental illness, to coming to Kenyon, to having to leave Gambier Hill because your family needed you back in Columbus, to becoming chair of the sciences at Walnut Ridge High School, you show what grit and perseverance can do. All along the way, you have never taken pity on yourself but have just rolled up your sleeves and gotten to work. You have served as a standard bearer for what is possible in life, first to your siblings — your sister is now a registered nurse, your brother a first sergeant in the U.S. Army — and to your students in the classroom, and now, most recently, to your precious and precocious daughter, Sylvia. For being a sterling example to us all that education, persistence and hard work is the way to achieve one's goals despite great obstacles, we honor you today with the Kenyon degree that you earned the hard way.

Presented by Harry Itagaki H'21
Professor Emeritus of Biology

Doctor of Letters

James Frost Parker '81 P'10

James Frost Parker, business leader, philanthropist, and longtime friend of the College, you graduated from Kenyon in 1981 and received your M.B.A. from the University of Chicago. You went on to become the owner and president of Parker Plastics Inc., manufacturing custom plastic packaging solutions.

As an avid and committed member of the men's swimming team, you thrived under the leadership of head coach Jim Steen. When you won the Burch Rowe Award, Coach Steen extolled your "enthusiasm, loyalty and passion (which) has resulted in a windfall of benefits, goodwill and collegiality over the years." Coach Steen further lauded your contributions, saying, "more than any swimmer I've ever coached, (he) gave meaning to the message. Having the ear of the team — not to mention the spirit — he communicated loud and clear ... simply by buying into everything we were trying to accomplish."

In 2006 you joined the Kenyon College Board of Trustees, serving for four years. You then returned to the board in 2013, spending ten additional years helping steer the ship, including as tri-chair of the Our Path Forward campaign and a member of the Kenyon in the World Committee. You have done much to make Kenyon a financial possibility for worthy students, including one who relates, "profits through the bear-shaped honey bottles ... fund a scholarship that helped me attend Kenyon," noting gratefully that your "generous gift made a big difference in my life." For that same enthusiasm, loyalty and passion you have always shown for Kenyon, we are honored to celebrate you today.

Presented by Jaret S. Treber
Professor of Economics

Awards and Honors

Trustee Teaching Excellence Awards

Established by the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College to recognize distinguished teaching by Kenyon's faculty. Annually there are two substantial monetary awards, one to a tenured faculty member who has been teaching at the College for at least ten years, and the other to either a tenured or tenure-track faculty member who is in his or her first ten years at Kenyon. The awards for 2026 were announced during the ceremony.

Unless otherwise noted, recipients of awards, fellowships, and prizes are members of the Class of 2026.

Fellowships and Awards

Critical Language Scholarship

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs; awarded to college students for participation in intensive overseas language and cultural immersion programs.

Nicholas Kloor

Cecelia Mary O'Sullivan

The Henry G. Dalton Fellowship in American Studies

Established in 1946 in memory of Mr. Dalton; awarded to students who have demonstrated leadership, character and excellence in academic work for graduate study in American government, history or literature.

Sam Melville

Fulbright Fellowship*

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State; provides funds for recipients to study, conduct research, teach or exercise their talents abroad in furtherance of cultural competencies.

Julia Golovina, Poland

Victoria Mei-Ling Kerrigan, Class of 2025, Columbia

Nicholas Kloor, Indonesia

Thomas Metcalf, Morocco

Emma Marcelline Rice, Uruguay

Iris Nicole Santalucia, Thailand

*A complete list of names and country assignments for Fulbright winners will be included in the Commencement program for 2026.

The Elmer A. Graham Endowed Scholarship

Established in 1988 to honor a former chairman of the Kenyon College Board of Trustees; covers tuition costs for the recipient's senior year.

Zan Miray Lapp, Class of 2027

The Jess Willard Falkenstine Award

Given by the Beta Alpha Chapter of Beta Theta Pi in honor of the late Mr. Falkenstine, coach and director of athletics at Kenyon from 1953 to 1964; awarded annually to outstanding athlete-scholars who, in the opinion of the selection committee, display the characteristics, including leadership and integrity, exemplified by the award.

Joshua John Greville

Molly Katrina Haag

The North Coast Athletic Conference

Scholar-Athlete Award

Established by the NCAC; awarded annually to one man and one woman from each institution in the conference in recognition of outstanding academic and athletic achievement.

Brooke Heis

Ethan Macready Manske

Academic Departmental and Program Prizes

AFRICAN DIASPORA STUDIES

The Allen B. Ballard Prize

Named in honor of Mr. Ballard, Class of 1952, professor emeritus of history and African studies at SUNY-Albany. The prize annually rewards an outstanding scholarly project that promotes our understanding of the history, cultures, and peoples of the African Diaspora, by focusing on issues pertaining to social justice.

Robert Caleb Stroebel

AMERICAN STUDIES

The Muriel B. Kahrl American Women's Prize

Established in 2019 to honor the memory of Muriel Kahrl, a Mount Vernon resident who taught mathematics at Kenyon while regular faculty members were in service during World War II.

Zoey Rockoff

The William B. Scott Award

Awarded annually for the best written, visual, or exhibition project in an American studies course; presented to a student for work done in the current or previous academic year.

Chau Vu

ANTHROPOLOGY

The Margaret Mead Award

In honor of the renowned American anthropologist; presented to a student majoring in anthropology who, in the judgment of the department's faculty, has demonstrated consistently excellent academic achievement in all areas of the discipline.

Gillian Foley

ART

The Robert H. Hallstein Memorial Award in Art

Established in honor of Robert H. Hallstein by his parents, this award is granted to a senior art major whose consistent high level of artistic accomplishment in studio art courses is recognized by the art department faculty.

Cordelia Campbell Preston

The Peterson Prize in Art

Established by the parents of M. Kristina Peterson, Class of 1973, this award is granted to a senior art major whose consistent high level of artistic accomplishment in studio art courses is recognized by the art department faculty.

Kendall Sommers

ART HISTORY

The Richard Kingan Liggitt Memorial Award in Art History

Established in 1991 in memory of Mr. Liggitt, Class of 1974, by a bequest from Mr. Liggitt's estate and by friends; granted at the discretion of the department for outstanding achievement in art history. Recipients' names are engraved on a plaque displayed in the Gund Gallery.

Laney Goodrum

Nicole Yun Wang

BIOLOGY

The Robert Bowen Brown Jr. Prize

The gift of the late Mr. Brown of the Class of 1911 and Mrs. Brown in memory of their son, Robert Bowen Brown Jr. of the Class of 1940; awarded to a member of the senior class who, in the opinion of the department's faculty, has done the best original or research work in biology during the year.

Mira Allen

Sam Connors

The Dorothy E. And Thomas C. Jegla Prize

Awarded to a first-year student who has done excellent work, including the independent project, in the yearlong "Introduction to Experimental Biology" laboratory sequence.

Amelia Russell, Class of 2028

The Maxwell Elliott Power Prize

Established as a memorial to the late Professor Power of the Department of Biology; awarded to an upperclass student of unusual promise in biology.

Matteo Pescione

Ella Salvino

CHEMISTRY

The Chemical Rubber Company Chemistry Achievement Award

A certificate given to a first-year chemistry student who, in the opinion of the department's faculty, is doing outstanding work in the course.

Chloe Xiu-min Chen, Class of 2029

Mark Wang, Class of 2029

The Carl Djerassi Award in Chemistry

A cash award named for the world-renowned scientist, author, educator, and 1943 alumnus of Kenyon; presented for outstanding achievement to a senior majoring in chemistry or biochemistry who exemplifies the liberally educated scientist. This senior is honored not only for excellence in chemistry, but also for excellence in significant studies undertaken elsewhere in the College. The recipient's name will be engraved on a plaque displayed in Robert J. Tomsich Hall.

Shelly Ruth Kahn

Ally Lavy

The Gordon L. Johnson Research Prize

Presented in memory of Professor Emeritus Gordon Johnson to the student who, in the opinion of the department's faculty, has done the best research project during the preceding year with a member of the chemistry faculty.

Shelly Ruth Kahn

Maria Peacock

CLASSICS

The Carl Diehl Prize

Provided by a donation from Mr. Diehl, friend of the classics and former member of the Kenyon community; awarded to a first-year student or sophomore who has done outstanding work in "Beginning Greek" and to a first-year student or sophomore who has done outstanding work in "Beginning Latin."

Madeline Christine Malbasa, Class of 2028 (Greek)

Anyia Melchinger, Class of 2029 (Latin)

DANCE, DRAMA AND FILM

The Ashford Memorial Award for Excellence in Dramatics

A cup given by the Iota Chapter of Psi Upsilon in honor of the late William Ray Ashford, professor of modern foreign languages and friend of theater at Kenyon from 1924 to 1954; awarded annually to the student who, in the opinion of the judges, has made the most notable contribution to theater at Kenyon. The award may be made on the basis of one outstanding performance or piece of work or on the sum of an individual's activities during one or several years.

Nicolas Kyle Williams

The Dance Prize

Established in 1987 by members of the Kenyon community; awarded annually to the student who, in the opinion of the judges, has made the most notable contribution to dance at Kenyon. The recipient's name will be permanently displayed on a plaque in the Bolton Theater lobby.

Ashley Sanchez

The Kenyon Film Award

Established in 2025, is awarded annually to the student who, in the opinion of the Department of Dance, Drama and Film, has made the most notable contribution to the film program at Kenyon College. This award is given for creative contribution and for dedication to collaboration with peers in the program. The name of the student will be engraved on a plaque and displayed in the Kenyon Wright Center.

Lorencio Park Stone

The James E. Michael Prize in Playwriting

Established by alumni in 1978 at the opening of the Bolton Theater, honoring the late Professor Emeritus of Drama James E. Michael; given to the student who has submitted the best original script to the judging committee. The recipient's name will be engraved on a plaque displayed in the Bolton Theater lobby.

Finn Moses Alexander, for "SOUTH HOLD"

The Paul Newman-Joanne Woodward Award for Best Performance

Given by Mr. Newman, Class of 1949, and his wife, for the best acting performance by a student; awarded annually to two students who, in the opinion of the judges, have given the most skillful and successful performance in an acting role during the year.

Ethan Greenzang, Class of 2027 for multiple roles in Everybody

Osose Omofomah for "Austin" in True West

ECONOMICS

The Paul Titus Economics Prize

Presented annually to a senior who has demonstrated unusual competence in economics and in the use of the tools of economic analysis.

Andrew Charles Mayer

ENGLISH

The Robert Daniel Memorial Scholarship

Given by Dorothea Daniel in memory of her husband, a professor of English at Kenyon from 1960 to 1983; awarded to a returning student who, in the judgment of the Department of English, has made a significant and extraordinary contribution to the literary life and vitality of Kenyon.

Mihir Kumar Joshi Lennox, Class of 2027

Lottie Mathew, Class of 2027

The English Junior Prize

The prize is awarded annually to one or more juniors majoring in English who, as determined by the department, have done the most distinguished work in their courses in English.

Phoebe MacIntosh, Class of 2027

The Denham Sutcliffe Memorial Award

Given by a friend and admirer in memory of Professor Sutcliffe, chair of the Department of English from 1956 until his death in 1964; awarded to a senior for excellence in the study of English and American literature.

Hannah Ehrlich

Brittany Lin

The Philip Wolcott Timberlake Senior Prize

Established by the Lambda Chapter of Sigma Pi in memory of Mr. Timberlake, Class of 1917, the prize was made possible by a bequest from the estate of George K. Ralston, Class of 1924. The prize is awarded annually to one or more seniors majoring in English who, as determined by the department, have done the most distinguished writing during the senior year.

Marisol Hernandez Brito

Nina Malec-Kosak

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The Environmental Studies Outstanding Senior Award

Given to a senior environmental studies major who has demonstrated both exceptional achievements as a scholar and leadership in their commitment to environmental issues.

Ellen Kathryn Milicent Chadwick

GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES

The Molly R. Hatcher Prize in Gender and Sexuality Studies

Established by the Women's and Gender Studies Committee in 1989 and renamed in 2000 as a memorial to Ms. Hatcher, Class of 2000, who was pursuing a concentration in women's and gender studies; awarded to a current student for the best work of art, composition, essay, performance, scientific study or other piece, produced during the previous calendar year, in which gender is a central theme. The recipient's name is inscribed on a plaque displayed in the Crozier Center.

Theo Jacobs

HISTORY

The Robert L. Baker Memorial Prize

Given annually to commemorate the standards of scholarship exemplified by Mr. Baker, professor of history from 1959 to 1991; awarded to the student who has submitted the best essay on an aspect of European history between the fall of Rome and the era of Napoleon.

Emily Gisser

The Alan G. Goldsmith Memorial Prize

A cash award given by friends in memory of Mr. Goldsmith, Class of 1911, a trustee of Kenyon from 1947 to 1952; presented to a student who, in the judgment of the department's faculty, has accomplished the best work in history in the current year.

Jacob Lokteff

Hannah Sue Schwemm, Class of 2027

The Curtis A. Seichter Award

Given in memory of Mr. Seichter, Class of 1980, by classmates and friends; awarded to a student who has demonstrated excellence in the study of history, irrespective of the field, as judged by a faculty committee appointed to review portfolios of the nominated students' work.

Cooper Bertschi

INTEGRATED PROGRAM IN HUMANE STUDIES

The Richard F. Hettlinger Award

Honors the founder and first director of the Integrated Program in Humane Studies; given to the student in the program who best exemplifies the ideals of interdisciplinary scholarship and enthusiastic inquiry into the questions concerning human nature and values that Professor Hettlinger revered in his teaching and life.

Andre Terrell McCloud

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

The International Studies Award

Established in 2011; awarded to the senior international studies major who best exemplifies the mission of the international studies program.

Nora Archer

LATINO/A STUDIES

The Christopher E. Schmidt-Nowara Latino Studies Award

Established in 2015 to honor the memory of Christopher E. Schmidt-Nowara, Class of 1988, professor of Spanish culture and civilization at Tufts University, this award is presented for the best written, visual or exhibition project on the diverse experiences of people who trace their origins to the countries of Latin America and the Spanish Caribbean.

Ari Jalomo

Gus Callejas

LAW AND SOCIETY

Law and Society Award

Awarded to a senior pursuing the law and society concentration to recognize outstanding academic achievement within the field of law and society.

Sacha Lily Franjola

MATHEMATICS

The Reginald B. Allen Prize

The gift of Mrs. Bessie Allen in memory of her husband, for many years head of the Department of Mathematics; awarded to a student who has shown unusual promise in mathematics.

Ethan Liu

The J. R. Butz Mathematics Prize

Established in 1997 through a bequest from Jeffrey R. Butz, Class of 1969, to honor achievement in mathematics; awarded to Kenyon's highest scorer in the W.L. Putnam Mathematical Competition.

Khanh Mai, Class of 2028

The Solomon R. S. Kasper Prize

A cash award established in 1992 in memory of Mr. Kasper, Class of 1986, by his family; given to a student who has demonstrated outstanding creativity and ingenuity in mathematics and computer science.

Abhigya Koirala

Andrew Charles Mayer

MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

The Arabic Prize

Presented for outstanding achievement in the study of Arabic.

Lauren Blakemore

The Thomas Au '69 And Jack Au '73 Chinese Prize

Established in 2011 by Thomas Au, Class of 1969, and Jack Au, Class of 1973; awarded for outstanding achievement in Chinese studies.

Jonah Hokyin Chapman-Sung

Sophie Rigel Jones, Class of 2027

The Edward Harvey Prize in French

Named for the late Samuel Mather Professor Emeritus of French Language and Literature at Kenyon; presented for excellence in French studies.

Lucca De Lisle Burgess

The Charles Singer Williams Prize in French

Established in 1992 through the bequest of Thelma S. Williams in honor of her son, Charles Singer Williams, Class of 1963; awarded to an outstanding student of French language and literature.

Mohamad Omar Belghith

The Sigrid Lanzrath Memorial Prize in German

A cash prize, given in memory of Sigrid Lanzrath, who, as an official of Inter Nationes, Bonn, became a real friend of Kenyon; awarded for outstanding achievement in German studies.

Lucas Gleason Aho

Nora Archer

The Italian Prize

Presented for accomplishment in the study of Italian.

Paulo Pocasangre Kreling

The Japanese Prize

Presented for outstanding achievement in Japanese studies.

Audrey Yejin Kotkin

Cecelia Mary O'Sullivan

The American Council of Teachers of Russian Post-Secondary Russian Scholar Laureate Award

This award provides national recognition for outstanding junior and senior university-level students who best embody an enthusiasm for and love of things Russian. One Kenyon student each year is nominated by the Russian faculty and receives a certificate from the ACTR.

Julia Golovina

The Natalia Olshanskaya Scholarship in Russian Studies

Established in 2016 through donations from Kenyon alumni, faculty, and friends whose lives were touched by Professor Olshanskaya, the scholarship is awarded each year to a junior Russian major or minor to their financial aid package to help pay for off-campus study in the language and/or culture.

Cullen Francis Dunbar, Class of 2028

The Russian Prize

Presented for extraordinary work in the Russian language.

Robin Pratt

The Spanish Prize

Presented for excellence in the study of Spanish literature.

Tia Wagner

MUSIC**The Gabriel A. Ben-Meir Senior Award in Music**

Established in 2015 by the department in memory of Gabriel A. Ben-Meir, Class of 2003; given annually to a senior music major in recognition of outstanding achievement during the course of four years in the department.

Nicholas Kloor

Dinh Quoc Chi Nguyen

The Thomas B. and Mary M. Greenslade Award in Music Performance

Established by the late Kenyon Archivist Thomas B. Greenslade, Class of 1931, and his late wife, Mary; given annually to the student or students who have given the most outstanding solo performance or series of performances during the academic year.

Beatrice S. Sjoström, Class of 2029

The Kathleen "Kay" Locke Community Service Prize in Music

Established in 2015 in honor of Kay Locke, wife of Professor of Music Benjamin R. Locke; given annually to the student or students who have provided outstanding service to the Kenyon community through their musical activities.

Benjamin Douglas Priestland, Class of 2027

NEUROSCIENCE**The Jon L. Williams Prize**

Named for the founder of Kenyon's neuroscience program; awarded to a senior who has shown exceptional academic achievement, engagement in research, and service to the program.

Samantha Ofori

The Harry Itagaki Award for Excellence in Neuroscience

Given to a neuroscience student in recognition of their achievement in written scientific communication, including but not limited to grant writing. It may be given to a current student of any graduating year. In addition to recognition by the faculty, the recipient receives a certificate and a modest check. This award was first given in 2023.

Johanna Huelsman

PHILOSOPHY**The Virgil C. Aldrich Prize**

Named for a former professor of philosophy at Kenyon; awarded for dedication to, and excellence in, the study of philosophy.

Xuning Alina Gao

PHYSICS**The Elbe H. Johnson Prize**

Established in 1967 by the department in memory of the late Mr. Johnson, Henry G. Dalton Professor of Physics, and in recognition of his many years of devoted service to Kenyon; awarded to a student who has shown special promise in physics during the year.

Eleanor Grace Keener, Class of 2029

Jack Wiskemann, Class of 2029

POLITICAL SCIENCE**The John Chesnut Memorial Prize**

Given by Alexander M. Griggs of the Class of 1953 in memory of his classmate, the prize consists of books of permanent value; awarded to the student who has done the best work in the field of political science during the year.

Georgia Reed

PSYCHOLOGY

The Psychology Award for Outstanding Service

Given to honor the student's commitment to psychology related community service on or off campus.

Tsion Adugna

The Jeffrey S. Williams Memorial Award for Integrative Study in Psychology and Economics

A cash prize established by the Williams family in 1984 in memory of Mr. Williams, Class of 1983; presented annually to the student majoring in either psychology or economics who, in the opinion of the faculties of those departments, best demonstrates the capacity to progress beyond his or her own discipline and seek integration between it and other fields of inquiry.

Emily Gisser

The Wilson Award for Academic Excellence in Psychology

Given to celebrate the student's high academic achievements. Named in honor of Julia Wilson, Class of 2018, an outstanding scholar and athlete.

Grace Eleanor Jansen

Isabella Strickland

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The Simpson Prize

The gift of Dr. and Mrs. Hector C. McKnew of Newark, Ohio, in memory of Rev. Thomas Porter Simpson, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Newark, Ohio; awarded to a student who, in the opinion of the department's faculty, has done outstanding work in the department.

Emilie Hankla

Ezekiel Hettmann

The Theta Alpha Kappa Undergraduate Achievement Award

Awarded to a member of the Alpha Gamma Sigma chapter of the Theta Alpha Kappa national honor society.

Amanda Kuo

Thomas Metcalf

SOCIOLOGY

The Jane Addams Award

In honor of the much-celebrated social activist; presented to a student majoring in sociology who, in the judgment of the department's faculty, has displayed in the past year's work qualities of excellence, enthusiasm, creativity and commitment in the discipline.

Max Fishman

The George Herbert Mead Award

In honor of the noted American social theorist; presented to sociology majors who demonstrate innovation in theory or methodology or consistently display other qualities of academic excellence as student scholars.

Shelly Ruth Kahn

College Prizes

The Chalmers Library Research Award

This award recognizes the excellent and thoughtful work of students who have successfully navigated and engaged with the library's resources, services, and staff.

Cooper Bertschi

The Office of Community Partnerships Student Service Award

Recognizes a student, who has demonstrated exceptional leadership and commitment to community service or service-learning in the Knox County community. The award celebrates the next generation of civic leaders and problem solvers, actively working to address critical issues in their communities. Whether through organizing volunteer efforts, leading service-learning initiatives, or advocating for social change, these individuals inspire their peers and make a lasting impact.

Elianajoy Volin

The George Gund Award

Established by the late Mr. Gund of Cleveland, a Kenyon trustee and parent; given annually for the best essays on topics that illuminate the nature of American life, culture or principles of government.

Maud Karambis, Class of 2027 for an essay reflecting on the Founding at its 250th anniversary.

The George B. Ogden Award

A cash award given by Thomas J. Goddard, Class of 1903, in honor of his friend George B. Ogden; awarded annually to the student who submits in competition the best essay in English prose.

Lillie Waltz, Class of 2029 for "Water Stronger Than Rock"

The Academy of American Poetry Prize

A cash prize, to be awarded annually, is presented to a student for the best poem or group of poems submitted in competition.

Jupiter Nesky, Class of 2028, for "Kiddush Levana"

The Muriel C. Bradbrook Prize

The gift of Professor Bradbrook, a distinguished visitor to the Department of English from Cambridge University; awarded annually to the student who submits in competition the best original short story or other specimen of prose fiction.

Teodor Lorne Jaworski for "The Doorman"

The Propper Prize for Poetry

Given by friends in memory of James M. Propper, Class of 1951; awarded to the first-year student or sophomore whose poem or group of poems, submitted in competition, is judged best by the Poetry Prize Committee.

Poppy Magee, Class of 2028 for "Eve, After the Fall"

The John Crowe Ransom Poetry Prize

Established in 1968 by the College in honor of the late Carnegie Professor of Poetry; a copy of Ransom's "Selected Poems" awarded to the junior or senior whose poem or group of poems, submitted in competition, is judged best by the Poetry Prize Committee.

Charlie Badger Brandt for "Little Geometries"

The Barbara H. Reitsma Award of the Math and Science Skills Center

Established in 2020 to honor Barbara Reitsma, the center's late former director, and to recognize a senior tutor in the center who embodies her legacy of compassion and dedication.

Lillian Sofia Gehres

Brooke Heis

The Martin Luther King Jr. Humanitarian Award

This award is presented annually to the student organization and/or individual student that/who has best promoted social justice through service activities and programs as exemplified by the life and work of Martin Luther King Jr.

Julius Lavon Thompson II

The Doris B. Crozier Award

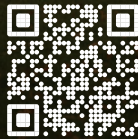
Established in 1973 in recognition of the leadership and standards set by the women of the Class of 1973 by friends of Ms. Crozier, dean of the Coordinate College for Women from 1968 to 1972; awarded to a student who has demonstrated qualities of vision, responsibility, courage, and dedication to excellence. The recipient's name is inscribed on a cup displayed in the office of the dean of students.

Mae Ling Gorin

The E. Malcolm Anderson Cup

Established in 1935 by the late Mr. Anderson, Class of 1914; inscribed each year with the name of the student who, in the opinion of students and faculty members, has done the most for Kenyon during the year.

Christiane Betfarhad



Note: Several honors had not been awarded at the time this program went to press. A complete list of award-winners can be found online at kenyon.edu/honorsday

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