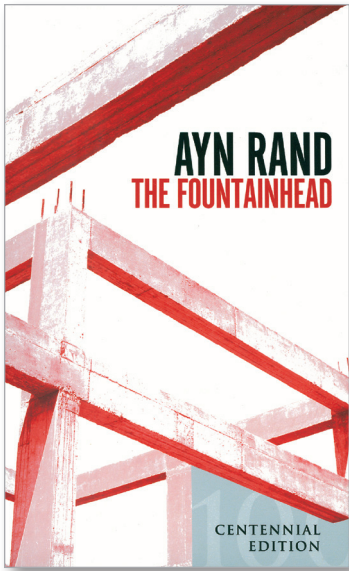


2015 THE FOUNTAINHEAD ESSAY CONTEST



FIRST PLACE

- Sophie Zhao, Sir Winston Churchill High School, Calgary, AB, Canada

SECOND PLACE

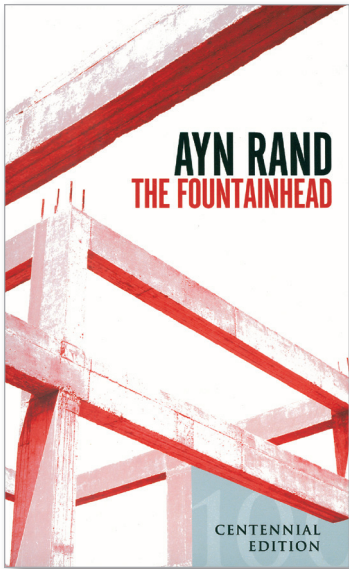
- Michael Brown, Harari College Worldwide, Brussels, Belgium
- May Huang, Chinese International School, Hong Kong, China
- Michelle Hung, VanDamme Academy, Aliso Viejo, CA
- Sophia Tao, Victoria Park Collegiate Institute, Toronto, ON, Canada
- Jaxon Thompson, Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School, Red Deer, AB, Canada

THIRD PLACE

- Tabrez Alam, The Bronx High School of Science, Bronx, NY
- Aisha Balogun, Albemarle High School, Charlottesville, VA
- Nathan Blum, Hastings High School, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY
- Jennifer Chan, Lowell High School, San Francisco, CA
- Korey Huskonen, Buckeye High School, Medina, OH
- Dominique Minter, Kamiak High School, Mukilteo, WA
- Daniel Morrison, Falmouth High School, Falmouth, MA
- Timothy Peltier, Leicester High School, Leicester, MA
- Brooke Porter, The Thacher School, Ojai, CA
- Lina Shi, Plymouth-Whitemarsh High School, Plymouth Meeting, PA

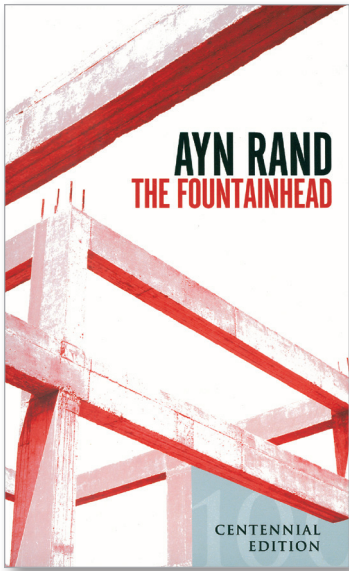
FINALISTS

- Minsoo Bae, Yongsan International School of Seoul, Seoul, South Korea
- Robin Baumeister, Homer High School, Homer, NY
- Hannah Bell, Plano Senior High School, Plano, TX
- Marlene Berke, Canterbury School, New Milford, CT
- Cassandra Betts, Dr. E.P. Scarlett High School, Calgary, AB, Canada
- Julianna Crozier, BASIS Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ
- Mary Daffron, Knoxville Catholic High School, Knoxville, TN
- Toren Dofher, Archbishop Carney Secondary School, Port Coquitlam, BC, Canada
- Marina Finley, Bellaire High School, Bellaire, TX
- Sarah Gehman, Ephrata High School, Ephrata, PA
- Rebekah Grey, Homeschool, Rockwall, TX



FINALISTS (continued)

- Vera Guttenberger, Advanced Math and Science Academy Charter School, Marlborough, MA
- Brooke Hilton, Bear Creek Secondary School, Barrie, ON, Canada
- Ji Yoon Hong, Gyeonggi-Suwon International School, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea
- Nolan Huther, Oneida-Herkimer-Madison Boces, New Hartford, NY
- Inhye Jeong, Hankuk Academy of Foreign Studies, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea
- Chris Kimmel, Carlisle High School, Carlisle, OH
- Jordan Kleinman, Pacifica High School, Garden Grove, CA
- Alexandra Kukoff, Oak Park High School, Oak Park, CA
- Aurora Lewis, Princeton High School, Princeton, NJ
- Kacie Lopez, Covington Community High School, Covington, IN
- Orlando Martinez, School for Advanced Studies North, Miami, FL
- Joshua Maymir, Cistercian Preparatory School, Irving, TX
- Sabryna McBride, Cypress Woods High School, Cypress, TX
- Rosie McCormack, Loyola Sacred Heart High School, Missoula, MT
- Kirsten Orrahood, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Kaelee Parker, Williamston High School, Williamston, MI
- Karisa Peterson, Desert Christian High School, Lancaster, CA
- Gage Plummer, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Ashton Porter, East Laurens High School, East Dublin, GA
- Katelyn Prieboy, Academy of the Holy Names, Tampa, FL
- Andrei Rakitin, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School, Sudbury, MA
- Alexandra Shaulis, Round Rock High School, Round Rock, TX
- Katrina Shi, Ronald Reagan High School, San Antonio, TX
- Avery Simmons, Maggie L. Walker Governor's School for Government and International Studies, Richmond, VA
- Pansy Tseng, Diamond Bar High School, Diamond Bar, CA
- Angela VanBuskirk, Whitesville Central School, Whitesville, NY
- Matthew Wade, Montgomery High School, Montgomery, TX
- Constantin Waldschmidt, Oakton High School, Vienna, VA
- Ashley Whiteman, McDowell Senior High School, Erie, PA
- Baylee Wilson, Nokomis Regional High School, Newport, ME
- Matthew Wong, West Windsor-Plainsboro High School South, West Windsor, NJ
- Kevin Xie, Middlefield Collegiate Institute, Markham, ON, Canada

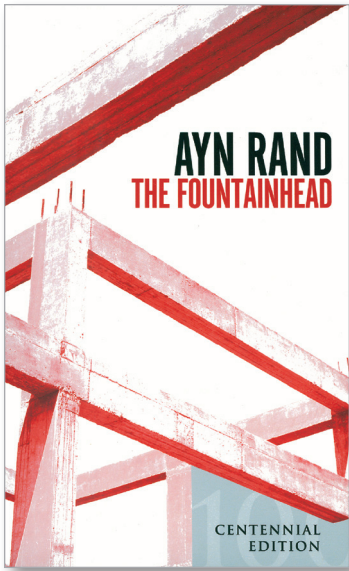


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- Anna Alessandra Nicoletta Yu, Marymount International School of Rome, Rome, Italy
- Lynn Zhou, McLean High School, McLean, VA

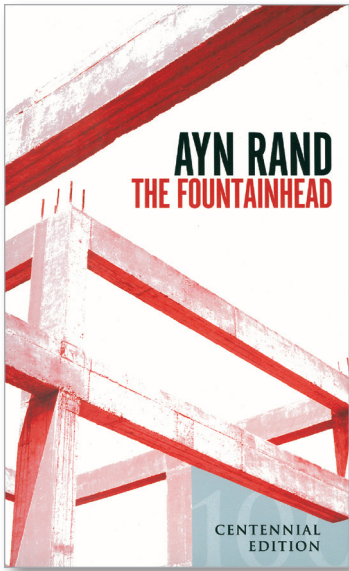
SEMIFINALISTS

- Loula Agelopoulos, Dr. E.P. Scarlett High School, Calgary, AB, Canada
- Joshua Allen, Honeoye Falls-Lima High School, Honeoye Falls, NY
- Haley Amanatullah, Elizabeth High School, Elizabeth, CO
- Diana Amezcua, Eastside High School, Lancaster, CA
- Alexa Annotti, Pilgrim High School, Warwick, RI
- Panayiotis Babatsikos, Bayside High School, Bayside, NY
- Elizabeth Balinao, Savannah Arts Academy, Savannah, GA
- Patrick Bayer, Har-Ber High School, Springdale, AR
- Sebastian Bedoya, Alexander Hamilton High School, Elmsford, NY
- Hannah Beers, Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy, Aurora, IL
- Anna Berns, Clayton Ridge High School, Guttenberg, IA
- Mahika Bhalla, BASIS Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ
- Melody Bigelow, Morgan City High School, Morgan City, LA
- Alexander Black, Nokomis Regional High School, Newport, ME
- Elizabeth Booth, United Township High School, East Moline, IL
- Charlotte Bracklo, Albert-Einstein-Schule, Schwalbach, Germany
- Isabelle Breier, Hopkins School, New Haven, CT
- Guy Bretches, Airline High School, Bossier City, LA
- Lydia Brown, Homer High School, Homer, NY
- Betsy Cabanas Rodriguez, Metro Tech High School, Phoenix, AZ
- Vicente Carbajal, Pleasant Grove High School, Pleasant Grove, UT
- Lauren Carr, Williamston High School, Williamston, MI
- Kyle Cates, Covington Community High School, Covington, IN
- Timothy Chandler, Fruita Monument High School, Fruita, CO
- Suh Won Chang, Korean Minjok Leadership Academy, Kangwon, South Korea
- Anabelle Cheng, Diamond Bar High School, Diamond Bar, CA
- Megan Chin, Livermore Valley Charter Preparatory High School, Livermore, CA
- Hyun Choi, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Abby Christi, École Secondaire Catholique Renaissance, Aurora, ON, Canada



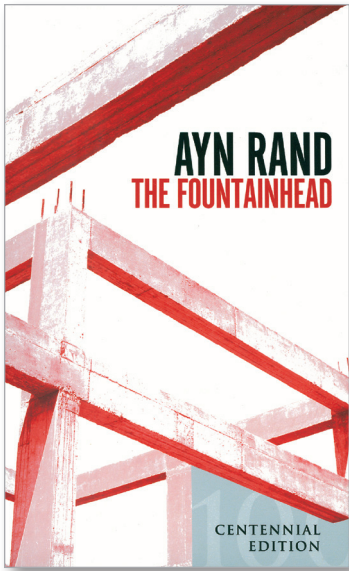
SEMIFINALISTS (continued)

- Jessica Cirelli, Oologah High School, Oologah, OK
- Rebecca Coder, J. P. McCaskey High School, Lancaster, PA
- Savannah Cofer, Columbus Academy, Gahanna, OH
- Jasmine Coleman, Shamokin Area High School, Coal Township, PA
- Brittany Contres, Ephrata High School, Ephrata, PA
- Maxine Cox, Homeschool, Marco Island, FL
- Jessica Coyle, Leicester High School, Leicester, MA
- Hannah Cuthbert, North Hagerstown High School, Hagerstown, MD
- Paige Davis, Har-Ber High School, Springdale, AR
- Abigail Davis, Clayton High School, Clayton, NC
- Gabrielle Dinh, Diamond Bar High School, Diamond Bar, CA
- Wenhao Du, Stuyvesant High School, New York, NY
- Tushar Dwivedi, Neuqua Valley High School, Naperville, IL
- Matheus Elisei, Fort Lupton High School, Fort Lupton, CO
- Kylee Evers, Oologah High School, Oologah, OK
- Kimber Marie Faircloth, Providence Grove High School, Climax, NC
- Jacob Fayette, Gateway Regional High School, Woodbury, NJ
- Shane Fiala, Nathan Hale-Ray High School, Moodus, CT
- Aaron Fishkind, Torah Academy of Bergen County, Teaneck, NJ
- Bessie Flores, DelCampo International School, Tegucigalpa, Honduras
- Madeline Funke, Tome School, North East, MD
- Alexandra Garcia, Ransom Everglades Upper School, Miami, FL
- Michael Gascon, Bad Axe High School, Bad Axe, MI
- Nicole Geiser, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Drew Gobbi, Newburyport High School, Newburyport, MA
- Agnes Goldrich, Cornwall Central High School, New Windsor, NY
- Sean Goodridge, Cuba City High School, Cuba City, WI
- Samuel Gordon, White Station High School, Memphis, TN
- Doug Gresham, Savannah Arts Academy, Savannah, GA
- Cassidy Guinada, Bayside High School, Bayside, NY
- Aisha Haji-Hussein, St. Mary's Academy, Winnipeg, MB, Canada
- Maryann Han, Radnor High School, Radnor, PA
- Riley Harman, Worland High School, Worland, WY
- Hanna Hatanpaa, Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology, Alexandria, VA



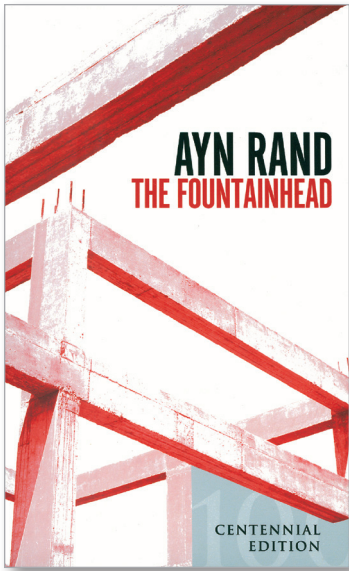
SEMIFINALISTS (continued)

- Amanda Hauser, Ephrata High School, Ephrata, PA
- Gabriel Hayden, Lansing Catholic Central, Lansing, MI
- Tanner Hedger, Perry High School, Gilbert, AZ
- Jennifer Huang, Strathcona Composite High School, Edmonton, AB, Canada
- Samuel Hudson, Llanishen High School, Cardiff, Wales
- Brandon Ingram, Oologah High School, Oologah, OK
- Thalia Iturriaga, Latin Builders Association Construction & Business Management Academy Charter High School, Hialeah, FL
- Tyler Jackson, Patrick Henry High School, San Diego, CA
- Eric Jackson, Ernest Righetti High School, Santa Maria, CA
- Parth Jain, Panther Creek High School, Cary, NC
- Jisoo Jang, Seoul International School, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea
- Insung Jo, Troy High School, Fullerton, CA
- Dominique Johnson, Pilgrim High School, Warwick, RI
- Hyungdon Joo, Farragut High School, Knoxville, TN
- Anja Jovanovic, Henry Wise Wood Senior High School, CALGARY, AB, Canada
- Pramoda Karnati, Gainesville High School, Gainesville, GA
- Samantha Key, ThunderRidge High School, Highlands Ranch, CO
- Chelsea Kibler, Leonardtown High School, Leonardtown MD
- Marina Klimenko, Earl Haig Secondary School, Toronto, ON, Canada
- Amanda Klinger, Line Mountain Junior Senior High School, Herndon, PA
- Brett Kowalczyk, LaSalle-Peru Township High School, La Salle, IL
- Omar Kress Morales, Bayside High School, Bayside, NY
- Jessica Kufner, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Olivia Lang, Florence High School, Florence, AZ
- Autumn Larsen, Douglas High School, Box Elder, SD
- Minh Le, Marist High School, Bayonne, NJ
- Jacqueline Leary, Suncoast Community High School, Riviera Beach, FL
- Rebecca Lee, North Allegheny Senior High School, Wexford, PA
- Joanna Liu, Leland High School, San Jose, CA
- Daniela Lopez, Desert Oasis High School, Las Vegas, NV
- Bailey Macejak, Pine View School, Osprey, FL
- Sydney Mack, Wando High School, Mount Pleasant, SC
- Elizabeth Makinney, Klein Collins High School, Spring, TX



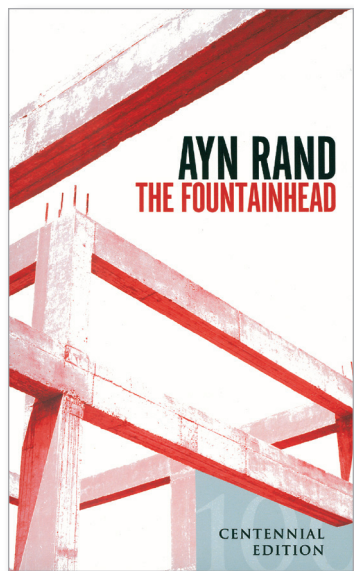
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- Kimberley Martin-Deegan, Longmont High School, Longmont, CO
- Amanda Matheson, Canyon Crest Academy, San Diego, CA
- Payal Mathur, Bayside High School, Bayside, NY
- Madelyn McKellips, Fountain Hills High School, Fountain Hills, AZ
- Sara McNamara, Homer High School, Homer, NY
- Syyeda Mehdi, Southview High School, Sylvania, OH
- Colston Merrell, Perry High School, Gilbert, AZ
- Bansari Modhera, Terre Haute South Vigo High School, Terre Haute, IN
- Rebekah Moots, Homeschool, Sanford, MI
- David Moreau, Nathan Hale-Ray High School, Moodus, CT
- Janessa Morelli, Homer High School, Homer, NY
- Nyssa Morgan, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Prestin Nikolai, V. Sue Cleveland High School, Rio Rancho, NM
- Trevor Nims, Sehome High School, Bellingham, WA
- Sarah Novak-Sheward, Fishers High School, Fishers, IN
- Samantha Ochs, Fairfield Community High School, Fairfield, IL
- Olivia Oliver, Paint Branch High School, Burtonsville, MD
- Carolyn Olmsted, Nandua High School, Onley, VA
- Hannah Orrahood, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Donera Owen, Boise High School, Boise, ID
- Cherise Parish, Chesley District High School, Chesley, ON, Canada
- Thomas Pedtke, Homeschool, Shirley, MA
- Carter Pembridge, Shawnee Mission West High School, Overland Park, KS
- Katerina Petelova, Sofia High School of Mathematics, Sofia, Bulgaria
- Jennifer Pham, La Quinta High School, Westminster, CA
- Abel Pimentel, Valley High School, Santa Ana, CA
- Alex Ponce, Osceola County School for the Arts, Kissimmee, FL
- Sarah Porter, Hanford West High School, Hanford, CA
- Maria Camila Puerta, Alexander Hamilton High School, Elmsford, NY
- Emma Quinn, Plymouth-Whitemarsh High School, Plymouth Meeting, PA
- Marielle Ravally, Point Pleasant Beach High School, Point Pleasant Beach, NJ
- Alexander Reeves, Greenhills School, Ann Arbor, MI
- Ronnie Rhoads, Shamokin Area High School, Coal Township, PA
- Tawni Riker, Lewis County High School, Vanceburg, KY



SEMIFINALISTS (continued)

- Tracy Robinson, Homeschool, Fort White, FL
- Fintan Roche, St. Aidan's C.B.S., Dublin, Ireland
- Sasha Rogelberg, Providence Senior High School, Charlotte, NC
- Alivia Rowland, Homeschool, Rochester Hills, MI
- Curtis Royek, Corry Area Middle High School, Corry, PA
- Melissa Rueda, Bayside High School, Bayside, NY
- Samin Saberi, R.S. McLaughlin Collegiate and Vocational Institute, Oshawa, ON, Canada
- Sarah Salahuddin, Bloomington High School, North Bloomington, IN
- Brittany Sallee, Har-Ber High School, Springdale, AR
- Sean Seguin, St. Mary's High School, Calgary, AB, Canada
- Ray Sellers, Plymouth-Whitemarsh High School, Plymouth Meeting, PA
- Yunheum Seol, Alpha Omega Academy, Rock Rapids, IA
- Matthew Setsuda, South Lyon East High School, South Lyon, MI
- Rohan Shah, Watchung Hills Regional High School, Warren, NJ
- Priyanka Sheth, Bowling Green High School, Bowling Green, KY
- Andrew Simon, Har-Ber High School, Springdale, AR
- Sereana Simpson, Caledonia Regional High School, Hillsborough, NB, Canada
- Lexi Smith, Fox Creek High School, North Augusta, SC
- Madison Smith, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Frankie Spring, Penn High School, Mishawaka, IN
- Magdalene Stathas, Dracut Senior High School, Dracut, MA
- Allison Steinebrey, Palatine High School, Palatine, IL
- Christian Stewart, Airline High School, Bossier City, LA
- Ian Stocum, Fox Creek High School, North Augusta, SC
- Elisabeth Stringer, Homeschool, Cayce, SC
- Carolina Sturla, Davis Senior High School, Davis, CA
- Mark Sutton, Desert Christian High School, Lancaster, CA
- Margaret Swenson, Ephrata High School, Ephrata, PA
- Abigail Swoboda, Kennard-Dale High School, Fawn Grove, PA
- Autumn Terry, Hatton High School, Town Creek, AL
- Stephanie Tkaczyk, Williamston High School, Williamston, MI
- Lukas Torres, Reseda Senior High School, Reseda, CA
- Yeeling Tse, Monta Vista High School, Cupertino, CA



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- Anthony Tucci-Berube, Bloomfield Hills Middle School, Bloomfield Hills, MI
- Cassandra Vallet, Cornwall Central High School, New Windsor, NY
- Fabiana Vilsan, American International School of Budapest, Nagykovácsi, Hungary
- Lauren Vollenweider, Lindbergh High School, Saint Louis, MO
- Kerry Walker, Lake George Jr.-Sr. High School, Lake George, NY
- Matthew Waltman, Dwight-Englewood School, Englewood, NJ
- Yijing Wang, Lakota West High School, West Chester, OH
- Ashley Wineland, Deer Valley High School, Glendale, AZ
- Samantha Yang, Diamond Bar High School, Diamond Bar, CA
- Mitch Yeh, West Career Technical Academy, Las Vegas NV
- Siqi Yu Klein, Oak High School, Spring, TX
- Naomi Zebro, Cardinal McCarrick High School, South Amboy, NJ