

# Jane Austen Society of North America

## 2018 Essay Contest

**Essay topic:** Jane Austen's *Persuasion* was first published in 1818, and to commemorate the anniversary JASNA is inviting essays that address the following:

*“The trio of faith, hope and charity all feature in Jane Austen’s novel **Persuasion**. Discuss how possessing or lacking these qualities affects a character’s behavior and drives the plot. You may focus on one quality or examine the interplay of two or all three. You may include more than one character in your discussion.”*



**Who Is Eligible:** Students at the high school, college and graduate levels.

**Awards:** There will be three winners in each of the divisions. Winners will receive:

- Cash scholarships ranging from \$250 to \$1,000.
- Paid registration and two-nights' lodging for the JASNA Annual General Meeting in Kansas City, Missouri, September 28 - 30 (first place only).
- One-year free membership in JASNA.
- Publication of the winning essays on the JASNA website.

**Entry Deadline:** May 20, 2018

**For Details/How to Enter:** Visit the Essay Contest page at [www.jasna.org](http://www.jasna.org)