2019 HOLLE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN BOOK ARTS

DEADLINE: Monday, February 4, 2019 at 5:00pm

The University of Alabama College of Communication & Information Sciences seeks to recognize and celebrate leaders in creativity. The Holle Awards are designed to celebrate and reward student achievement in the areas of book arts, media writing, public speaking and screenwriting. This annual award includes a $10,000 prize for the winner of each category.

The Holle Awards highlight and celebrate creative expression nationally, and encourage partnerships among communication and other disciplines. As communication continues to evolve throughout the 21st century, the awards will encourage innovative, out-of-the-box thinking from students, faculty and communication professionals.

Book Art students currently enrolled in graduate Book Arts programs must submit an application for the Holle Award that includes a Curriculum Vitae, and five digital photographs of one book project. The work may include hand bookbinding, letterpress printing, mixed media including digital printing and various art printing technologies, and hand papermaking. All work must be complete. In addition, applicants must submit an artist statement that specifically addresses the book being entered for consideration.

The Book Arts graduate student must be enrolled in an American university during the 2018-2019 academic year or have graduated the year before from such a program. (Students who graduate in May 2018, August 2018, December 2018, or May 2019 are eligible.) The applications will be reviewed by UA College of Communication and Information Sciences Board of Visitors members Cherie Feenker and Floyd G. Council, Sr., artists Inge Bruggeman and Katie Baldwin, and last year’s Holle Award for Excellence in Book Arts winner, Lisa Miles. Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria: the integration of form, materials, and content within the bookwork, and a strong statement of purpose that articulates an artistic vision and potential for professional leadership in the field. The work will be judged on both conceptual strength and a demonstration of exceptional craft skills. The 2019 Holle Award for Excellence in Book Arts Award Submission Form Deadline is February 4th, 2019 by 5:00 p.m.