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The 2009 Francis A. Velay Humanism in Medicine Essay Contest
presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation

Win a cash prize

In 1,000 words or less, please reflect on the following quote:

“To most physicians, my illness is a routine incident in their rounds, while for me it’s the crisis of my life. I would feel better if I had a doctor who at least perceived this incongruity.”

–Anatole Broyard

First prize

\$1000

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Third prize

\$250

Past judges have included Jerome Groopman, Perri Klass, Sherwin Nuland, Abraham Verghese, among others. In addition, the *AAMC’s Academic Medicine* will continue its tradition of publishing the top three winning essays.

To enter the essay contest, please:

1. Complete the [entry form](#) (also available at www.humanism-in-medicine.org). Note that essays without an accompanying entry form will not be accepted.
2. E-mail both the entry form and essay as Word attachments (2003 Version) to essaycontest@gold-foundation.org with “2009 Essay Contest” in the subject line.
3. **Do not include your name on the essay; only include your name on the entry form.**
4. If you prefer, you may instead send your entry form and essay via U.S. mail to:

The Arnold P. Gold Foundation Essay Contest
619 Palisade Avenue
Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632

* Entries should be sent no later than the deadline of March 6, 2009.

**First, Second and Third Prize Winners will be notified by phone in July. Their names and essays will also be posted on our website, along with the authors of the ten honorable mentions.