

Cornerstone Spring 2021 Contest  
“The Book”



*Still Life with Books and Candle by Henri Matisse, 1890*

This spring the Cornerstone contest is seeking **artwork** as well as other forms of creativity including **videos and poetry** based on our readings in Transformative Texts (SCLA 101 or 102).

Winning artwork entries will be considered for exhibition in the new Cornerstone Reading Room in HSSE Library (grand opening Fall 2021).

Our theme is the book. Books take us on journeys; they open our eyes to new vistas and ideas; they can change our lives, become our companions, even our mentors and spiritual guides. Books challenge us, inform us, infuriate us, and transform us. We can write in them, display them, use them for doorstops; and hide love letters and press fall leaves in them. They can hold our secrets. What do books mean to you?

Your artwork, poetry or videos can focus on one book (or author) that has been an inspiration to you or simply speak to books in general.

**Eligibility:** Any student currently enrolled in SCLA 101 or 102

**Criteria:** Artwork, videos or poetry inspired by Transformative Texts. A committee composed of Cornerstone faculty will judge submissions based on originality and creativity.

**Prizes:** Amazon Gift Cards. First Place: \$100; Second place: \$75; 3 honorary mentions: \$50. Winners will automatically be nominated for publication in *The Cornerstone Review* and have their work exhibited in the Cornerstone Reading Room in HSSE Library.

**Timeline:** Submission deadline: **April 9**. Please send your submissions to Dr. Ayala-Chittick at [smatosay@purdue.edu](mailto:smatosay@purdue.edu). Winners announced: **April 23**.