



16th ÆLFWINE ESSAY AWARDS 2020



The Spanish Tolkien Society (STE), with the aim of promoting and encouraging the knowledge and study of J.R.R. Tolkien's life and works, announces its 16th edition of the Ælfwine essay awards, which are subject to the following RULES:

First.- Any person may participate, except the Jury members.

Second.- Essays, written in Spanish or English, must be original (not published in any format before the award ceremony date) and be referred to the work or the person of JRR Tolkien. The Jury will eventually decide if they meet this requirement, according to the Twelfth Rule.

Third.- Essays will have a maximum length of ten thousand (10,000) words. Notes and bibliography will not be taken into account for the calculation of the maximum length of the essay.

Fourth.- Each participant may submit any number of essays under the same pseudonym, but he or she shall be eligible for one prize only.

Fifth.- Texts must be submitted in electronic format under a non-recognizable pseudonym, and with a separate file enclosing the author's contact data: name, address, phone number and email. Their receipt will be acknowledged as soon as possible. The name of the files will be as follows:

"Pseudonym"- "essay title".*

"Pseudonym"-data. *

Example,

Agricola-Dragons lair.*

Agricola-data.*

We recommend using 12-point Arial or Times New Roman font.

Those files must be sent by email to: premiosaelfwine@sociadadtolkien.org.

Sixth.- The deadline date for submission of essays will be **September 15th, 2020**.

Seventh.- Among the criteria of the jury will be the originality and the academic or humanistic interest of the chosen theme.

Eighth.- The result of the contest will be announced on the official website of the association www.sociedadtolkien.org on **October 12th, 2020**. The winners will be directly notified the place and time of the award ceremony in due time.

Ninth.- The prizes are as follows:

1st prize: 120 Euros, a year's free membership to the Spanish Tolkien Society and a diploma.

2nd prize: 60 Euros, a year's free membership to the Spanish Tolkien Society and a diploma.

3rd prize: a year's free membership to the Spanish Tolkien Society and a diploma.

The Jury reserves the right to grant runner-up and honorary awards, with a diploma but without monetary prize. Organization of the contest also reserves the right to add other non-monetary prizes. STE will cover potential shipping costs to Spain. Should the winner live outside Spain, the shipping overcost will be assumed by the winner.

Tenth.- The Jury may declare the prizes void.

Eleventh.- The STE reserves the right (non-exclusive and without economic compensation) to publish the winning essays. It may also publish any un-awarded essays, but always asking for the author's written permission first.

Twelfth.- The Jury reserves the right to resolve any issue not covered by these rules, and their decisions will be unappealable. The composition of the Jury is: Paula Andrés Martínez, Juan María Carreño Díaz, Bárbara García Huertas and José María Miranda Boto.

Thirteenth.- For any question related to this contest, email to premioselfwine@sociedadtolkien.org.

Fourteenth.- Entering this contest implies full acceptance of these Rules.