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Student Book Collecting Contest Rules

- 1) The contest is open to all full-time students regularly enrolled at Boston University.
- 2) Entries should be submitted to the Director at the Howard Gotlieb Archival Research Center, Fifth Floor, Mugar Memorial Library by Monday, March 20, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
- 3) Books must be owned and collected by the student, and must be physical volumes, not digital or e-books.
- 4) Collections are limited to a selection of not more than 50 titles.
- 5) Each entry must include in writing
 - a) a formal annotated bibliography of the collection.
 - b) a brief statement, not to exceed one typewritten page double-spaced, describing how and why the collection was assembled.
 - c) an essay of 1,000 to 1,500 words on any aspect of the subject matter of the collection.
- 6) Basis of judging: Three judges will select the finalists on the basis of the three written submissions. Semi-finalists will bring several specific volumes to the Howard Gotlieb Center for inspection by the judges, and will discuss their collections with the judges. Each collection will be judged by the extent to which it represents a well-defined field of interest. This may be an author or a subject collection (e.g. eighteenth century anatomy books, Russian children's books, etc.) While substance and thematic limits of the collection will be of prime importance in the judging, consideration will also be given to the physical condition and the excellence of design and production of the books. Books in any state may be included (hardcover, soft cover, loose leaves, unbound, disbound, etc.). E-books will not be accepted or considered.

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