

Sokenbicha Essay Challenge Scholarship Contest for Students of Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Approved Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Schools

Grantor: Sokenbicha

Closes: 2/17/2012

Maximum: \$4,000.00

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The Sokenbicha Essay Challenge is a scholarship contest for students of ACAOM approved Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine schools. The goal of the contest is to showcase the knowledge of Chinese medical practitioners with regard to botanicals and herbal medicine.

Prizes

First prize is a \$4,000 scholarship and paid admission into the AAAOM Leadership Meeting and Student Conference, April 27-29, in Chicago (includes airfare and hotel). The first place winner will be recognized at the Student Conference in Chicago during the Student Caucus.

Second prize is a \$1,000 scholarship. All winning essays will be printed and distributed to AAAOM conference attendees and will also be published on the Sokenbicha Web site.

Format

The essay should be 800 words max in one Microsoft Word document (the 800 words do not include the title, bibliography or footnotes). Entries must be typed and double spaced. Identifying information will be entered separately into form fields on the site to ensure blind review.

Who is eligible?

Students currently enrolled in an ACAOM approved AOM school are eligible to enter.

Essay Topic

Explain how the use of acupuncture and herbal medicine can contribute to providing mainstream American healthcare.

Judges

Judging will be completed by a panel of qualified judges. Eight members of the AAAOM SO Board will evenly divide essays and rank the top three based on the following criteria:

Comprehension

Organization

Conclusions

Creativity

Writing

Rules

Only one essay per person.

All essays are due to the Web Sokenbicha Essay Challenge Web site by February 17, 2011 at 5 p.m. PST. There is no cost to submit an essay. No late essays will be accepted.

The author's name and identifying information should be set forth only on the form fields within the contest Web site, which include the author's name, school, year number, address, phone number, email, school address, and school phone number. To ensure blind review, identifying information must not appear in the body of the submission itself; however, the essay title must appear in the header on each page of the essay.

Any quotations or copyrighted material used in the essay must be identified properly. Failure to identify non-original material will result in disqualification.

Essays must be written in English.

By submitting an entry, the contestant warrants that the work is original and does not violate the intellectual property rights of any other person or entity. In addition, by submitting an entry, the contestant grants permission to AAAOM, National College of Natural Medicine, Sokenbicha, and participating schools to use her or his name for publicity purposes, including, but not limited to, announcing the results of the contest.

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Sokenbicha can use, reproduce, or distribute essays for marketing purposes, but authorship will be acknowledged. The schools and AAAOM may also use, reproduce, or distribute the essays, acknowledging the author.

The decisions of the judges are final and non-reviewable.

Monies will be paid directly to the appropriate school for the winner's tuition.

If and when more than 160 entries are submitted, AAAOM reserves the right to stop accepting entries. Please apply early

and good luck!

How to Enter

The deadline is Feb.17, 2012 at 5 p.m. PST.

About Sokenbicha

Sokenbicha – Japan's leading blended tea brand – debuted in the U.S. last year. The authentically brewed teas are unsweetened, contain zero calories and combine the refreshment of water with the flavor and goodness of tea blends and natural botanicals.

Link: <http://www.ncnm.edu/student-services-at-ncnm/scholarships/sokenbicha-essay-challenge.php>