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Prize Chair 2012 award winning travel writer and novelist Colin Thubron CBE, President of the Royal Society of Literature.

Judges panel: poets John Hartley-Williams and Matthew Sweeney; Professor Simon Bainbridge and Professor Sharon Ruston.

The deadline for entries is 30th June 2012

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- Entries can be emailed in Microsoft Word format to: susanna.seekings@talktalk.net Email entries will be acknowledged. If you wish to enter by post please send 3 typed copies on A4, to Keats-Shelley Competition, c/o Beaufort Montague Harris Solicitors, Old Bank House, 79 Broad Street, Chipping Sodbury, BS37 6AD. These entries will not be acknowledged.
- All entries must be accompanied by the Entry Form with your personal contact details. This form can be downloaded from our website, www.keats-shelley.com and posted/emailed with your entry.
 NB all entries are sent to the judges anonymously so please do not put your name on the actual entry.
- 3. Each entry costs £5.00; you may enter up to two poems and/or two essays. Cheques should be made payable to Keats-Shelley Memorial Association and sent to the address above. Please put your name and address on the reverse so we can link it to your entry.
- 4. The entries must be unpublished either in print or online and original work not previously submitted. Copyright remains with you but your entry will be deemed as consent to first publication in journals nominated by the KSMA.
- 5. Poems must not exceed 40 lines. They should focus on the theme of 'Gold' and should not be a pastiche.
- 6. Essays should not exceed 3,000 words including quotations, all sources must be acknowledged.
- 7. Entering the competition will be deemed to indicate full acceptance of all the conditions above.

Winners and runners up will be notified in August and a presentation ceremony will take place in London in October.

The winners will be announced on the website at that time.

The Sheila Birkenhead Awards gives financial assistance to students of the Romantics. See www.keats-shelley.com for full details and applications

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