



Blake@Union Prize, Spring 2018

Union College

- What:** To mark the launch of the **Blake@Union** project in Schaffer Library, students in all disciplines are invited to submit a response in any medium to the works of revolutionary author, artist and printmaker William Blake.
- Why:** Union's rare collection of works related to Blake are being featured in a student-curated library exhibit and in the release of a research website at the end of April 2018. Both the exhibit and the website showcase past and present student engagement with Blake's work at Union. The competition celebrates their creativity and creates an opportunity for new student work to be featured in the exhibit and on the **Blake@Union** website.
- Prizes:** Up to three prizes will be awarded in *each* of two categories (arts/media and text). All prize-winning work will be featured on the **Blake@Union** website. Winning arts/media prize-winning work will also be given a place in the on-site library exhibit; winning textual entries will be reprinted for distribution in the library. Additional honorable mention submissions will also be selected for addition to the website.
- Formats:** Student works of any length or format are welcome. The only requirement is that they interpret, respond to, or are otherwise inspired by something by or about Blake. Entries might be a poem, critical essay, song, manifesto, watercolor, etching, sketch, animation, sculpture, linocut, 3D print, and so on. (Always wanted to display your artwork on the columns in the library? The suggested maximum width is 22 inches, but "warp around" images may also be considered.) Blake was an experimenter, so feel free to experiment!
- Submissions:** Students studying Blake in Spring Term EGL 220-01 (Romantic Revolution) and AVA-151-01 (Printmaking: Etching) should submit their work directly through their classes. Other submissions may be brought to the Circulation Desk in the library or submitted online at digitalservices@union.edu.

Important Dates:

- April 9:** **Blake@Union: From Print to Digital to Print** exhibit opens. Come be inspired! Schaffer Library, Lally Reading Room.
- April 27:** Exhibit reception and release of the **Blake@Union** website (via www.union.edu/library/) Schaffer Library, Lally Reading Room, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- June 1:** **Deadline for submissions, 12:00 p.m.**
- June 7:** **Announcement and posting of prizes.** Schaffer Library Lally Reading Room, 1:00 p.m.
- Summer:** Prize-winning works fully installed / available in the exhibit area.