Announcing the Frederick and Grace Gutekunst Prize for Young Translators

The Goethe-Institut New York announces a new prize for emerging translators.

(New York, NY: November 2010) The Goethe-Institut New York is pleased to invite applications for the first Frederick and Grace Gutekunst Prize for Young Translators. The purpose of the prize is to identify and encourage outstanding students of translation and of the German language and assist them in establishing contact with the translation and publishing communities.

The prize, which comes with a cash award of $2,500, is open to all college students and translators under the age of 35 who, at the time the prize is awarded, have not yet published nor are under contract for a book-length translation from the German. Applications will be accepted only from candidates who live in the United States.

Each applicant is required to translate a text into English. Team translations will not be accepted.

All entries, to be transmitted by midnight, February 28, 2011, will be submitted to a jury consisting of three experts on translation and literature. The winner of the Gutekunst Prize will be notified at the end of April, 2011. The jury’s statement and the name of the winner will be published on the website of the Goethe-Institut.

The winner of the Gutekunst Prize will be invited to the Helen and Kurt Wolff Translator’s Prize ceremony and symposium, to take place at the Goethe-Institut Chicago on June 13 and 14, 2011. The $2,500 prize will be awarded during the symposium, and the winner will have the opportunity to present his or her translation.

Frederick Peter Gutekunst was professor of German for more than 30 years at Hunter College (CUNY) in New York City. From Frederick Gutekunst’s love of the German language evolved the idea of creating a prize in support of outstanding young translators of German literature into English.

To compete for the Gutekunst Prize, visit: [www.goethe.de/gutekunstprize](http://www.goethe.de/gutekunstprize), where you will find information on requesting the application form and the German text to be translated for the competition.