Wallace Stevens Journal Honors First Serio Award Winner

The Wallace Stevens Society recently honored the first-ever winner of the John N. Serio Award for the Best Article at the 2013 Modern Language Association Convention in Boston.

The award will honor the best article from the society’s official publication, The Wallace Stevens Journal for a given year. The Johns Hopkins University Press publishes the journal. An anonymous donation helped establish the Serio Award, which comes with an honorarium.

Natalie Gerber, Associate Professor of English at Fredonia University, received the first-ever Serio Award at MLA in early January. Judges Charles Altieri (UC Berkeley), Juliette Utard (Sorbonne) and Lisa Goldfarb (NYU/Gallatin) chose Gerber’s article “Stevens' Mixed-Breed Versifying and His Adaptations of Blank-Verse Practice” as the best article for 2011.

The selection committee praised the originality of Gerber’s essay, its careful research and strong argument. All agreed that the essay makes a substantial contribution to Stevens studies, and, at the same time, has larger implications for thinking about the prosody of modern poetry more broadly.

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