Wisconsin Graduate Student Wins Essay Prize

A graduate student from the University of Wisconsin-Madison has won the 2011 VanArsdel Prize for the best graduate student essay on, about, or extensively using Victorian periodicals from the Research Society for Victorian Periodicals (RSVP).

Katie Lanning received the prize for her essay “Tesselating Texts: Reading The Moonstone in All the year Round.” She received a cash award and publication of the essay in the recent Spring 2012 issue of Victorian Periodicals Review, the official journal for RSVP. The journal is published by the Johns Hopkins University Press.

Lanning is a doctoral student interested in eighteenth- and nineteenth-century British literature, book history, and print culture. She is the second straight winner of the prize from UWM, following 2010 winner Rebecca Soares.

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