BOWDOIN COLLEGE
HONORS DAY
Friday, May 3, 2024
Kanbar Auditorium, Studzinski Recital Hall

WELCOME
SAFA R. ZAKI, President of the College

HONORS DAY ADDRESS
“Revisiting the Inner Child”
ANGEL DANIEL MATOS, Assistant Professor of Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies

PRESENTATION OF SYDNEY B. KAROFSKY PRIZE FOR JUNIOR FACULTY
JENNIFER SCANLON, Senior Vice President and Dean for Academic Affairs,
John S. Osterweis Professor of Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies

MUSICAL INTERLUDE
Kegelstatt Trio K. 498
III. Rondeaux: Allegretto
by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)
DARIEN SETH GILLESPIE ’24, Oboe
NANCY XING ’24, Viola
GEORGE LOPEZ, Beckwith Artist-in-Residence, Piano

PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENTAL PRIZES
Academic Department and Program Faculty

CLOSING REMARKS
President Zaki

SINGING OF THE ALMA MATER*
“Raise Songs to Bowdoin”
GEORGE LOPEZ, Beckwith Artist-in-Residence, Piano
and
STUDENT PERFORMERS FROM
Bowdoin A Cappella, Chamber Choir, and Chorus

*Please stand if you are able and join in singing “Raise Songs to Bowdoin.”
The words are on the back of this program.
PRESENTATION OF THE KAROFSKY PRIZE

Jennifer Scanlon, Senior Vice President and Dean for Academic Affairs, John S. Osterweis Professor of Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies

SYDNEY B. KAROFSKY PRIZE FOR JUNIOR FACULTY

Samia Shabnam Rahimtoola, Assistant Professor of English

This prize, given by members of the Karofsky family, is to be awarded annually by the dean for academic affairs, in consultation with the Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure Committee on the basis of student evaluations of teaching, to an outstanding Bowdoin teacher who “best demonstrates the ability to impart knowledge, inspire enthusiasm, and stimulate intellectual curiosity.” The prize is given to a member of the faculty who has taught at the College for at least two years.

ACADEMIC PRIZES

AFRICANA STUDIES

Lennox Book Prize
Ahmad Adeeb Abdulwadood ’24
Through a fund established by the Lennox Foundation and Jeffrey C. Norris ’86, this book prize is awarded to a student exhibiting outstanding achievement in Africana studies.

Annual Award for an Outstanding Work in Africana Studies
Marcus Daniel Gadsden ’24
Established by Professor Randy Stakeman, former longtime director of Africana studies and faculty emerita, for an outstanding work in Africana studies determined by the department.

ANTHROPOLOGY

Engaged Anthropology Prize
Agnes Katherine Macy ’24
“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.” This statement is as true today as when it was first asserted by Margaret Mead, one of anthropology’s best-known scholars. This prize honors anthropology majors and minors who integrate exemplary engagement in community service, public education, and/or public scholarship with perspectives gained in the discipline. This prize recognizes student efforts to bring attention to issues of broad significance, collaborate with diverse communities, and/or critically reflect on various dimensions of cultural life and intercultural interaction.

Elbridge Sibley Anthropology Prize
Kyle Marcus Moeller ’24
This prize, established in 1989 in honor of Elbridge Sibley by Milton M. Gordon ’39, a student of Professor Sibley’s, is awarded each year to that member of the senior class majoring in anthropology who has the highest midyear general scholastic average in their Bowdoin class.

ART HISTORY

Anne Bartlett Lewis Memorial Prize in Art History
Alexandra Frances Spear ’24
Established by the family of Anne Bartlett Lewis, this prize is given for demonstrated excellence in art history.

Art History Junior-Year Prize
Austria Ever Morehouse ’25
Zoe Sierra Peterson ’25
Julia Joan Smart ’25

These prizes, established by a donor who wished to remain anonymous, are given respectively to juniors and to graduating seniors who have achieved the highest distinction in the major in art history.
VISUAL ARTS

Anne Bartlett Lewis Memorial Prize in Visual Arts

Cora Dow ’24
Diana Elizabeth Wickersham ’23

Established by the family of Anne Bartlett Lewis, this prize is given for demonstrated excellence in creative visual arts.

Richard P. Martel Jr. Memorial Prize

Nicolas Vincent Brown ’24
Emma Rose Paterson-Dennis ’24

This prize is awarded to those students who, in the judgment of the visual arts faculty, are deemed to have produced the most creative, perceptive, proficient, and visually appealing art works exhibited at the College during the academic year.

ASIAN STUDIES

Asian Studies Prize

Sophia Zhiwei Li ’24

The Asian Studies Prize is awarded to a member of the senior class majoring in Asian studies who has attained an exceptional cumulative average in Asian studies courses and/or undertaken an advanced independent study or honors project in the major.

Chinese Language Prize

Aidan Clint Ward ’24

The Chinese Language Prize is awarded to a student with demonstrated motivation and commitment to the study of Chinese language and culture.

Japanese Language Prize

Roger Martin Wilder ’25

The Japanese Language Prize is awarded to a student who demonstrates excellence in Japanese language and contributes to cross-cultural understanding through service or research.

BIOCHEMISTRY

John L. Howland Book Award in Biochemistry

Zelia Talulah Rose Egan ’25

This prize is given each year to students who have achieved academic and general excellence in the biochemistry program at the end of the junior year. The award is in honor of John L. Howland, a member of theBowdoin faculty from 1963 to 2002 and the Josiah Little Professor of Natural Sciences and professor of biology and biochemistry, who founded the biochemistry program at Bowdoin in 1971.

The Stephen Smith Prize in Biochemistry

Isaac G. Bediako ’24

This prize is awarded each year to an outstanding senior majoring in biochemistry, based on academic achievement, engagement, and distinction in biochemistry research.

BIOLOGY

Copeland-Gross Biology Prize

Sarah Grace Conant ’24
Everett Cameron Horch ’24

In honor of Manton Copeland and Alfred Otto Gross, this book prize is awarded annually to an outstanding junior majoring in biology, as judged by scholarship and interest.

Donald and Harriet S. Macomber Prize in Biology

Renske Kerkhofs ’24
Jared Patrick Lynch ’24
Nicholas Takaki Tienhui Yoong ’24

This prize is awarded annually to one or more outstanding students in the Department of Biology.

James Malcolm Moulton Prize in Biology

Aale Juno Agans ’25
Diego Armando De Sousa ’25
Gracie Anne Scheve ’25

This book prize, established in honor of James Malcolm Moulton, is awarded annually to an outstanding junior majoring in biology, as judged by scholarship and interest.
CHEMISTRY

First-Year Student Chemistry Laboratory Award

General Chemistry
CARLEE-MAE ELIZABETH CASH ’27
This award recognizes a first-year student that has demonstrated outstanding performance in the chemistry laboratory.

First-Year Student Chemistry Achievement Award

General Chemistry
MAREN D. COOPER ’27
ELLA NICOLE PERRY ’26
This award is given to first-year students for superior academic work in chemistry at the introductory level.
Advanced Chemistry
SREE JAGANNATHAN KANDHADAI ’27
This award is given to first-year students for superior academic work in chemistry at the advanced level.

Samuel Kamerling Laboratory Award

MIYA SACHIKO IMAEDA ’26
This award is given to one or more students for truly exceptional work in Organic Chemistry 2250–2260.

Philip Weston Meserve Prize in Chemistry

LIAM CHANDLER ROEHR ’25
This prize recognizes the excellent work of a junior chemistry or biochemistry major who shows promise for the future.

ACS Awards for Superior Work in Chemistry

Prizes awarded annually by the American Chemical Society to recognize superior work in individual chemical disciplines.
Analytical Chemistry
ZELIA TALULAH ROSE EGAN ’25
Inorganic Chemistry
BRENDAN JAMES HILL ’25

Dana Walker Mayo Prize
OLIVER TIANSHU WANG ’24
Established in honor of Professor Dana W. Mayo, this prize recognizes a senior who has demonstrated exceptional motivation and potential for independent research in chemistry or related scientific fields.

CINEMA STUDIES

The Adventurer Prize
MAYA JULIETTE LE ’25
Named for pioneering female director Alice Guy-Blaché’s lost 1917 film The Adventurer, this prize is awarded to a student for the best work of multimedia criticism for a cinema studies class or independent study.

The Rosebud Prize
MAX McGrath BLEAKNEY ’27
The Rosebud Prize, named for the iconic reference in the 1941 Orson Welles film Citizen Kane, is awarded to a member of the first-year class for the best essay written for a cinema studies class.

The Sunrise Prize
SOPHIA OSBORNE BLAHA ’24
The Sunrise Prize, named for F.W. Murnau’s 1927 film Sunrise, is awarded to a member of the senior class for the best essay written for a cinema studies class or independent study.

CLASSICS

Nathan Goold Prize
FRANCESCA ADRIE KUSSEROW ’24
This prize, established by Abba Goold Woolson, of Portland, in memory of her grandfather, is awarded to that member of the senior class who has, throughout the college course, attained the highest standing in Greek and Latin studies.

J. B. Sewall Greek Prize
PATRICK F. SULLIVAN ’26
This prize is awarded to the member of the sophomore class who sustains the best examination in Greek.
Earth and Oceanographic Science
Biogeochemistry Award
Katharine Ann Gage ’25
Tess Hannah Taudvin Mooney ’26
This award is given annually to a student completing the biogeochemistry course, which is a key integrative experience in the EOS major. It recognizes outstanding performance in the course and the ability to connect biogeochemistry to the broader context of the Earth system.

Earth and Oceanographic Science Outreach Excellence Award
Ebe Figueroa ’24
This award recognizes an EOS major who has exemplified outstanding public engagement and outreach during their time at Bowdoin. Outreach activities may include establishing or supporting a promising program (recent or longstanding), working with primary or secondary school students or teachers, developing curricula for formal or informal education, creating extraordinary events for the public, or other activities that engage the community.

Earth and Oceanographic Science Book Award
Ian Simon Brown ’26
Noah Kim Goldwasser ’27
This award is given annually to one first- or second-year student from each of the introductory earth and oceanographic science courses for exceptional class performance, which may include collaborative ability, initiative, and creative contributions to the class.

ECONOMICS

Adam Smith Book Prize
Tej Arun Dhingra ’25
Sujan Garapati ’25
Jack William Kinsella ’25
Luisa Isabelle Louchheim ’25
Grace Diane Travis ’25
This award recognizes juniors who demonstrate exceptional analytical skills and originality in the study of economy and society.
Paul H. Douglas Prize
Lauren Elizabeth Burke '25
Jane Elizabeth McCarter '25
This prize recognizes juniors who show outstanding promise in scholarship in economics. The prize is named for Paul H. Douglas of the Class of 1913, a respected labor economist and United States senator.

EDUCATION

Bowdoin Teacher Scholars
Paloma Aguirre '23
Sarah Elizabeth Clarke '23
Emma Michelle Hargreaves '23
Marie-Monique Mbuyi Kabongo '23
Elliot J. Norwood '24
Lily Elizabeth Sage '22
These students have completed the Bowdoin Teacher Scholars program, qualifying them for secondary school Maine teacher certification.

Education Department Award for Interdisciplinary Scholarship
Andrea Rodríguez Garrido '24
Presented to the student whose interdisciplinary scholarship demonstrates exceptional purpose and passion in the study of education.

ENGLISH

Philip Henry Brown Prize
Mei Leah Bock '24
Dylan Austin Richmond '24
The prize from the annual income of a fund established by Philip Greely Brown 1877, A.M. 1892, in memory of Philip Henry Brown 1851, A.M. 1854, may be offered to members of the senior class for excellence in extemporaneous English composition.

Academy of American Poets Colette Inez Poetry Prize
Mei Leah Bock '24
Colleen Lynn Doucette '24
This national prize is awarded by the Academy of American Poets for best poem or groups of poems.

Hawthorne Prize
Ai Lee Woods '26
The income of a fund given in memory of Pierce Professor of Literature Robert Peter Tristram Coffin 1915, hon. LLD 1930, and in honor of Nora Archibald Smith and Kate Douglas Wiggin, hon. LLD 1904, the original founders of the Hawthorne Prize, is awarded each year to the author of the best short story. This competition is open to members of the sophomore, junior, and senior classes.

Nathalie Walker Llewellyn Poetry Prize
Hannah Kim '24
This prize is awarded to the student who submitted the best work of original poetry.

Nonfiction Prize
Anna Diaconu '24
Dylan Austin Richmond '24
Honorable Mention:
Mei Leah Bock '24
This prize, established in 2008, is awarded for the best work of creative nonfiction.

Poetry Prize
Ai Lee Woods '26
This prize is awarded for the best poem written by an undergraduate.

Pray English Prize
Dylan Austin Richmond '24
This prize, given by Dr. Thomas Jefferson Worcester Pray Class of 1844, is awarded to the best scholar in English literature and original English composition.
Forbes Rickard Jr. Memorial Poetry Prize

DYLAN AUSTIN RICHMOND ’24

This prize, given by a group of alumni of the Bowdoin chapter of Alpha Delta Phi fraternity in memory of Forbes Rickard Jr., Class of 1917, who lost his life in the service of his country, is awarded to the undergraduate writing the best poem.

David Sewall Premium

GARY RUIZ HERNANDEZ ’27

This prize is awarded to a member of the first-year class for excellence in English composition.

Mary B. Sinkinson Short Story Prize

MEI LEAH BOCK ’24

This prize, established by John Judson Sinkinson of the Class of 1902 in memory of his wife, Mary Burnett Sinkinson, is awarded each year for the best short story written by a member of the junior or senior class.

Bertram Louis Smith Jr. Prize

JIAHNGSON ’25

This prize was established by his father in memory of Bertram Louis Smith Jr., of the Class of 1903, to encourage excellence of work in English literature and is awarded by the department to a member of the junior class who has completed two years’ work in English literature. Performance of major work as well as record in courses is taken into consideration.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Academic Award in Environmental Studies

KATIE STEBBINS DRAEGER ’24

This prize is awarded to graduating seniors who have achieved outstanding academic distinction in the completion of the environmental studies coordinate major.

Community Service Award in Environmental Studies

JANE CHARLOTTE HIRSCHMAN ’24
PAUL YU-SHENG WANG ’24

This prize is awarded to graduating students majoring in environmental studies who have demonstrated exemplary service to the College and the broader community.

GENDER, SEXUALITY, AND WOMEN’S STUDIES

Edith Lansing Koon Sills Prize in Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies

EMMA EARTH FOLKMAN ’24

The Society of Bowdoin Women’s Edith Lansing Koon Sills Prize is a yearly prize awarded to an outstanding student in gender, sexuality, and women’s studies, as selected by the Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Program Committee.

GERMAN

German Consular Prize in Literary Interpretation

WILLIAM A. JORGENSEN ’24

This prize was initiated by the German Consulate, from whom the winner receives a certificate of merit and a book prize, in addition to a small financial prize to be awarded from the income of the fund. The prize is awarded annually to the senior German major who wins a competition requiring superior skills in literary interpretation.

Old Broad Bay Prize in Reading German

AMINA ALI HUSSEIN ’24
MEGAN RYLEE STRETCH ’24
NOA HOLLANDER WINKOFF ’25

This prize was established by Jasper J. Stahl 1909, hon. LittD 1960, and others as a living memorial to the men and women from the valley of the Rhine who in the eighteenth century founded the first German settlement in Maine at Broad Bay, now Waldoboro. The prize is awarded to students who have profited especially from their instruction in German.

GOVERNMENT AND LEGAL STUDIES

Prizes for Excellence in Government and Legal Studies

American Politics

JANE CHARLOTTE HIRSCHMAN ’24
Comparative Politics

TALIA ROSE MIREL ’24
International Relations  
Nora Anmei Sullivan Horner ’24

Political Theory  
Julianna Hellman Brown ’24

Four prizes awarded annually to senior majors who demonstrate exceptional performance at Bowdoin in the study of American politics, comparative politics, international relations, and political theory.

Richard E. Morgan Prize for Excellence in the Study of the Constitution  
Rose Eleanor Keller ’24

Awarded annually to a student excelling in the study of constitutional law.

HISTORY

Dr. Samuel and Rose A. Bernstein Prize for Excellence in the Study of History  
Anna Guethoff ’26  
Kaavya Janaki Mundkur ’26  
Mina Zanganeh ’25

In honor of the historian of Europe and revolutionary social movements Samuel Bernstein and his wife, Rose Bernstein. The annual income of the fund shall be used for two awards: A Bowdoin undergraduate who, in the collective judgment of members of the history department, has demonstrated highest standards of achievement in the study of history; and an undeclared history student who, in the collective judgment of members of the history department, has demonstrated exceptional promise in a history class.

Phyllis Marshall Watson History Prize  
Morgan Taylor Barnes ’27  
Andrea Isabel Becker ’26  
Lucas Mikhal Dufalla ’24

The annual income of the fund shall be used for a Bowdoin undergraduate who, in the collective judgment of members of the Department of History, has the best student paper on subjects related to the American Civil War era, or on war-related themes in modern history.

LATIN AMERICAN, CARIBBEAN, AND LATINX STUDIES

The John Harold Turner Prize in Latin American Studies  
Andrea Rodríguez Garrido ’24

This prize is awarded to a graduating Latin American studies major who, in the judgment of the Latin American Studies Committee, has achieved academic distinction and has contributed to an understanding of the region.

Latin American Studies Award for Public Engagement  
Anna Diaconu ’24

Established in 2016, the LAS Award for Public Engagement prize is awarded to a junior or senior, majoring in any discipline, who has contributed to the recognition and understanding of Latin America, the Caribbean, or the Latin American or Caribbean diasporas through exemplary public engagement, meaningful community service, and/or efforts in public education, intersecting, to the extent possible, with their academic studies.

MATHEMATICS

The Bowdoin Mathematics Prize  
Meredith Estrella Hernandez ’25  
Daniel Kotorri ’25  
Vaishali Olduvai Miriyagalla ’25

Awarded annually to three rising junior or senior mathematics majors, based on their potential for contributing to a broad and inclusive mathematical community.

Edward Sanford Hammond Mathematics Prize  
Richard John McNamara ’24  
Adam Charles Nelson ’24  
Gabriel Ong ’23  
Emily Mae Simons ’24

The prize is awarded on recommendation of the Department of Mathematics to a graduating senior who is completing a major in mathematics with distinction. This book prize honors the memory of Edward S. Hammond, for many years Wing Professor of Mathematics, and was established by his former students at the time of his retirement.
Smyth Mathematical Prize
Sarah Emily Greenberg ’24
Xiquan (David) Guan ’26
Ziyou Hu ’25
Graham Frederick Lucas ’26
Gabriel Ong ’23
This prize, established by Henry Jewett Furber of the Class of 1861, and named by him in honor of Professor William Smyth, is given to that student or students in each sophomore class who has demonstrated exceptional performance in mathematics coursework and dedication to the subject.

100π – ε Prize
Eliana Rosalyn Gonzalez ’26
Janelle Elaine Powell ’27
Sebastian Robert Sahlman ’26
The 100π – ε Prize is to be awarded at the discretion of the Department of Mathematics to a first- or second-year student demonstrating extraordinary inspiration and joy for the pursuit of mathematics.

MUSIC
Sue Winchell Burnett Music Prize
Kate Yamamoto Ishida ’24
Established by Rebecca P. Bradley in memory of Sue Winchell Burnett, this prize is awarded to the member of the senior class who has majored in music and has made the most significant contribution to music while a student at Bowdoin.

Mary Hunter Prize
Carolyne Anyse Sauda ’27
This prize recognizes student achievement in writing about music in a social/historical context. The prize is given in recognition of A. LeRoy Greason Professor of Music Emerita Mary Hunter, for her lasting contributions to music research, education, and leadership at Bowdoin College.

NEUROSCIENCE
Munno Neuroscience Prize
Katrina Leila Carrier ’24
Nuanxi (Sissi) Feng ’24
Connor Joseph Latona ’24
Sam Ashlin McCleland ’24
Zackery Dakota Reynolds ’24
Josephine Price Tidmore ’24
Karin Arai van Hassel ’24
Established by David W. Munno ’99, this prize is awarded for excellence in research by a student majoring in neuroscience.

PHILOSOPHY
Philip W. Cummings Philosophy Prize
Sam David Cooper ’24
This prize, established by Gerard L. Dubé ’55 in memory of his friend and classmate, is awarded to the most deserving student in the Department of Philosophy.

PHYSICS
Edwin Herbert Hall Prize in Physics
Mia Victoria Karlsson ’26
The annual income of this fund, named in honor of Edwin Herbert Hall 1875, AM 1878, LLD 1905, the discoverer of the Hall effect, is awarded each year to the best sophomore scholar in the field of physics.

Noel C. Little Prize in Experimental Physics
Rawsthorne Carl Grundy ’24
This prize, named in honor of Noel C. Little ’17, ScD ’67, professor of physics and Josiah Little Professor of Natural Science, is awarded to a graduating senior who has excelled in experimental physics.
E. O. LaCasce Jr. Prize in Theoretical Physics
Athis Osathapan ’24
A prize named in honor of Elroy O. LaCasce Jr., of the Class of 1944, professor of physics emeritus, is awarded to a graduating senior who has excelled in theoretical physics.

American Association of Physics Teachers Learning Assistant Prize
Aidan Cole Connerly ’24
Nur Schettino ’24
Luke Michael Taylor ’24
This prize is given to the student or students who show an exemplary reliability, dedication to inspiring student engagement, excellence in learning group work, and willingness to go above and beyond their roles as department learning assistants.

PSYCHOLOGY

Dorothy Haythorn Collins Award
Yaerin Anna Han Wallenberger ’25
This award, given by Dorothy Haythorn Collins and her family to the Society of Bowdoin Women, is used to honor a student “who has achieved academic and general excellence in their chosen major” at the end of the junior year. Each year the society selects a department from the sciences, social studies, and/or humanities, and the departments choose a student to honor by purchasing books and placing them with a nameplate in the department library. The student also receives a book and certificate of merit.

RELIGION

Edgar Oakes Achorn Prize
Daedalus Mory Arnold ’27
Max McGrath Bleakney ’27
John Anderson Schubert ’26
The income of a fund established by Edgar Oakes Achorn Class of 1881 is awarded as a prize for the best essay written by a member of the sophomore- or first-year classes in Religion 1101.

Lea Ruth Thumim Biblical Literature Prize
Daedalus Mory Arnold ’27
Established by Carl Thumim in memory of his wife, Lea Ruth Thumim, this prize is awarded each year to the best scholar in biblical literature.

Award for Excellence in the Study of Religion
Melissa Hong Thai Su ’24
This award is presented to a graduating senior who demonstrated exceptional purpose and achievement in the study of religion.

ROMANCE LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

Prize for Excellence in Romance Languages and Literatures
Geoffrey Emali Atulo ’24
Established by the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, this prize is awarded to a graduating Romance languages and literatures major for outstanding achievement and promise in the study of more than one Romance language, literature, and culture.

Goodwin Francophone Studies Prize
Stephanie Ruth McCurrach ’24
Established by the Reverend Daniel Raynes Goodwin, Class of 1832, this prize is awarded to the best scholar in Francophone studies.

Eaton Leith Francophone Studies Prize
Eleanor Brett Beyreis ’25
Oceana Telliac Hangret ’25
Siyi (Jonathan) Li ’25
Established by James M. Fawcett III of the Class of 1958 in honor of Eaton Leith, professor of Romance languages and literatures, this prize is awarded to the member of the sophomore or junior class who, by proficiency and scholarship, achieves outstanding results in the study of French literature.
Dante Prize in Italian Studies
Jenna Marie Albanese '24
This prize, established in 2010 by the generous donation of Zachariah Messitte ’90, is awarded to the student who writes the best essay on Dante or Italian literature.

Raimondi Prize in Italian Studies
Katharine Ramsay Kurtz ’24
This prize, established in 2010 by the generous donation of Zachariah Messitte ’90, honors the most outstanding student in Italian studies, to include language and culture.

Philip C. Bradley Hispanic Studies Prize
Katie Stebbins Draeger ’24
Abigail Faith Mueller ’24
Established in 1982 by classmates and friends in memory of Philip C. Bradley of the Class of 1966, this prize is awarded to outstanding students in Spanish language and literature.

Sophomore Prize in Hispanic Studies
Camilla Esperanza Gil Rawlings ’26
John William Logue ’26
This prize is awarded each year to the most promising sophomore who has declared a major in Hispanic studies.

RUSSIAN, EAST EUROPEAN, AND EURASIAN STUDIES

Prize for Excellence in Russian Language and Literature
Alexander Kozic ’24
This prize, established in 2002 by Jane Knox, professor of Russian emerita, is awarded to a senior who has achieved highest distinction as a Russian major.

Russian Scholar Laureate
Lionel Anil Welz ’24
This award, given by the American Council of Teachers of Russian, recognizes the outstanding qualities of a postsecondary Russian student: a passion for Russian language, literature, and culture; a commitment to excellence; and an enthusiasm for knowledge and cultural literacy. Nomination for this national honor is a testament to the high esteem in which the Department of Russian holds the student.

SOCIIOLOGY

Award for Distinguished Public Sociology
Sapphire Taliyah Hall ’25
Amory Glen Malin ’24
This prize is awarded to those students majoring or minoring in sociology who demonstrate an exemplary engagement in public scholarship and/or community service. It recognizes those who have exhibited sociological imagination in connecting the knowledge of their major to public service and/or scholarship. It also acknowledges those students who have made meaningful impacts on the community.

Elbridge Sibley Sociology Prize
Kinza Munaf ’24
This prize, established in 1989 in honor of Elbridge Sibley by Milton M. Gordon ’39, a student of Professor Sibley’s, is awarded each year to that member of the senior class majoring in sociology who has the highest midyear general scholastic average in their Bowdoin class.

Matilda White Riley Independent Study Prize
Hanna Cha ’25
The award is given annually to the best independent study project conducted in the Department of Sociology. The purpose of the independent study award is to recognize and encourage excellence in independent sociological research and writing.

Matilda White Riley Class Project Award
Fiona Bor ’25
Matthew Russell Duthaler ’25
The award is given annually to the best student project(s) completed as a part of any upper-level sociology course. The purpose of the class project award is to recognize and encourage excellence in sociological research and writing. All forms of research and writing are welcomed.
THEATER AND DANCE

Bowdoin Dance Group Award
Dylan Austin Richmond ’24
Awarded annually to an outstanding senior for contributions of dedicated work, goodwill, and talent, over the course of their Bowdoin career, in the lively, imaginative spirit of the Class of 1975, the first graduating class of Bowdoin dancers.

Award for Excellence in Dance Performance
Gabrielle Anne Phillips ’24
Mia Sophie Vinding ’24
This prize is awarded annually to dance students in any class whose performing skills and commitment to excellence warrant special recognition.

Award for Outstanding Contribution to Theater and Dance
Lexi Ritchie Ashraf ’24
Sydney Nicole Starks ’24
Awarded to a student who—through consistent, generous, and varied activities—enriches the department’s culture, raises the quality of its productions, and lifts the spirits of students, staff, and faculty.

William H. Moody ’56 Award
Lexi Ritchie Ashraf ’24
Established in memory of Bill Moody, who for many years was the theater technician and a friend of countless students, this award is presented annually to sophomores, juniors, or seniors who have made outstanding contributions to the theater through technical achievements accomplished in good humor.

Abraham Goldberg Prize
Ava Julia Ferro Grandfield ’24
Gianna Caitlyn Turk ’24
This prize is awarded annually to those members of the senior class who have shown the most skill in the art of designing or directing plays.

Alice Merrill Mitchell Prize
Virginia Louise Cummins ’23
Henry Walker Jodka ’24
This prize, established by Wilmot Brookings Mitchell Class of 1890, AM 1907, LHD ’38, Edward Little Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory, in memory of his wife, Alice Merrill Mitchell, is awarded annually to that member of the senior class who, in the opinion of a faculty committee headed by the director of theater, has shown, in plays presented at the College during the two years preceding the date of award, the most skill in the art of acting.

A. Raymond Rutan IV Scholarship Award for Summer Study in Theater
Ian Weston Harris ’27
The Ray Rutan Fund for the Performing Arts, established by David Zach Webster ’57, a lifelong college volunteer and benefactor, honors A. Raymond Rutan IV ’51, director of theater 1971–1993. The fund is intended to enrich the life of the College through the performing arts and may be used in part to support student summer study in theater.