



## ***Essay Topic: Marriages & Proposals***

In *Pride and Prejudice* and Jane Austen's other novels, we see proposals and marriages that are motivated by love, as well as those that are better described as arranged marriages or marriages of convenience. Many cultures today also expect arranged marriages (not the same as forced). In your essay, compare and discuss the different types of marriages or courtships found in the novels, whether those relationships are new or longstanding.

- **High School Students:** Focus on *Pride and Prejudice* only, or also bring in other Austen works.
- **Undergraduate and Graduate Students:** Discuss at least two Austen novels of your choice.

Open to  
High School,  
College, &  
Graduate School  
Students

## ***Awards for Winners***

**1st-, 2nd- and 3rd-place winners in each category receive:**

- Cash scholarships ranging from \$250 to \$1,000.
- One year of free membership in JASNA.
- Publication of the winning essays on JASNA's website.
- First-place winners: free registration and two nights' lodging at the 2023 JASNA Annual General Meeting in Denver, CO, November 3-5.

## **Entry Deadline**

**June 1, 2023**

## **Details/How to Enter**

It is essential that you visit our Essay Contest webpage for rules and eligibility:

**[jasna.org/programs/essay-contest](https://jasna.org/programs/essay-contest)**