

***Middle Eastern Studies* Best Article Award**

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Middle Eastern Studies is now pleased to announce that it will award a prize of £250 in cash, or in Taylor and Francis books/journals of equivalent value, for the best article published in the journal by a 'new' author each year.

Eligibility

- The prize will be awarded for the best article, in terms of originality and contribution to scholarship of the region, by an author for whom this is the first substantive article published in *Middle Eastern Studies*.
- Authors who have previously had only book reviews published in the journal will be eligible.
- The eligibility of authors who have had review articles, editorials or other pieces published in the journal will be left to the discretion of the judging panel.

Selection Procedure

- A shortlist of eligible authors will be constructed by the journal's editors. There is no application procedure.
- A sub-committee of the Editorial Board will comprise the judging panel.
- The panel will determine the prize-winner, and that winner will be contacted, as soon as possible after publication of the final issue of each annual volume, beginning with Volume 43 (2007).