



Contact: Dennis Steele
Tel: 650-315-6578
Email: densteele@portia SteeleAward.org
Web: <http://portia SteeleAward.org>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 14, 2008

Third Annual "Portia Steele Award" for Poetry & Prose

CASTRO VALLEY, CA – February 14, 2008 – The Portia Steele Award Organization is pleased to announce its Third Annual awards competition for writers. The awards are for *Excellence in Poetry* and *Excellence in Prose* and invite women 50 years of age or older to compete for a \$100.00 first place prize in each category. There is no entry fee required.

"The guidelines for the awards are simple", said Dennis Steele, Founder and Trustee for the *Portia Steele Awards Foundation*. "The Prose submission should be no more than 500 words and the poetry submission is limited to a page and a half. This is in keeping with Portia's philosophy that: "less is more". The deadline for the competition is April 15, 2008.

"This year is a bit different for us, we will be accepting entries by email only. No mail-in entries can be accepted. It's actually quite easy," Steele explained. "Use Microsoft Word file format, double space and use 12-point Arial or Times Roman font. Entries in each category must be unpublished works. Finally," he concluded, "there can only one submission per category."

The Portia Steele Awards Foundation is conducting the contest, judging the submissions and will announce the winners on July 15, 2008. Winners will be notified individually. Additionally, they will be posted on the portia SteeleAward.org website.

For complete information, please visit our website at <http://portia SteeleAward.org> and click on the "contest" page.

###