2009 GEF Technical Writing Competition
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Entry Form

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Title of Paper: ____________________________________________________

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Expected Graduation Date: _________________________________________
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Freshman      Sophomore      Junior      Senior      Graduate Student
Academic Major: ___________________________________________________
Area of Concentration: _____________________________________________
Advisor’s Name: ___________________________________________________
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Attach this form to your research paper and mail to:

Executive Director
Gravure Education Foundation
75 West Century Road
Paramus, New Jersey 07652

Announcing the
Gravure Education Foundation

2009

Technical Writing
Competition

for the
Flint Group Award
For Technical Achievement

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Entry Deadline: February 13, 2009
Who is eligible to submit a paper?
All full-time college or university students in either an undergraduate or graduate degree program may enter the competition. Papers may be submitted by graduating students as long as the work is completed prior to graduation.

What are the requirements?
Contestants may submit technical research papers addressing any aspect of gravure technology. Only papers that are relevant to the gravure printing-process will be reviewed. The selected topic must be addressed comprehensively and in detail. Use of graphs and illustrations is encouraged to convey technical information.

How do I organize the technical paper?
The formal write-up for each Technical Writing submission should be organized as follows:

**Executive Summary:** A brief summary of the problem, solution, and recommendations. The summary should be less than 300 words.

**Introduction:** A description of the problem at hand and the possible courses of action that could be taken. The introduction should not include any technical or numerical data (or a minimum of such data).

**Methodology:** A description of the problem data and the modeling techniques that will be used to solve the problem. This section is where the bulk of the technical and numerical data belongs.

**Results:** The results should be presented in a clear, easy-to-understand format.

**Concluding Remarks:** This is where the case is "wrapped-up". State that you have adequately addressed the problem at hand, discuss implementation of the solution, and state whatever concerns you may have about the recommended course of action.

**References:** Material citations are to be used consistently throughout the work.

**Appendix:** Extra material such as pictures, graphs, etc., should be placed in this section.

Paper length should be approximately 10 pages or less excluding graphics and appendix. Microsoft Word document, 11 pt. Font, double-spaced, and 1-inch margins.

What format should I use to submit my entry?
Competition submissions should be in both hard-copy and electronic formats (CDs are preferred), accompanied with a completed entry form.

Who selects the winners and what are the criteria?
A panel of gravure industry representatives with extensive technical knowledge and experience is convened to determine the following:

- the relevancy of the topic to gravure
- the depth and comprehensiveness of research
- the organization of material, and
- the clarity of presentation.

What is the award?
Three winners will be selected. In addition to a cash prize, all winners will receive the GEF/Flint Group Award of Technical Achievement, which includes the following:

- An invitation to 2009 Educators Breakfast in April 2009.
- Publication of the winning papers in GRAVURE Magazine
- Posting of the winning papers on the GAA Web site, www.gaa.org

Cash prizes will be distributed as follows:

**Graduate Competition:** $1,500  
**Undergraduate Competition:**  
- 1st Place Winner: $1,000  
- 2nd Place Winner: $500

In the past, high-quality, non-winning papers were also selected for publication.

How do I enter the competition?
Fill out the entry form, attach it to the completed paper, and mail to:

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Email: bcarlson@gaa.org

What is the deadline for submission?
Papers must be received by the Gravure Education Foundation by February 13, 2009.

Visit www.gaa.org/GEF to view past winners.