THE 2012 SUSAN SONTAG PRIZE FOR TRANSLATION

$5,000 grant for a literary translation from Portuguese into English: PLEASE POST & DISTRIBUTE

PLEASE NOTE: The deadline is March 9, 2012.

This $5,000 grant will be awarded to a proposed work of literary translation from Portuguese into English and is open to anyone under the age of 30. The translation must fall under the category of fiction or letters, and the applicant will propose his or her own translation project. The project should be manageable for a five-month period of work, as the grant will be awarded in June 2012, and the translation must be completed by October 2012.

Acceptable proposals include a novella, a play, a collection of short stories or poems, or a collection of letters that have literary import. Preference will be given to works that have not been previously translated. (Previously translated works will be considered, however applicants should include an explanation for why they are proposing a new translation.) Applicants wishing to translate significantly longer works should contact the Foundation before sending in their applications so that supplementary materials can be included. The prizewinner will be notified on June 1, 2012 and results will be announced online at www.susansontag.org.

The recipient will be expected to participate in symposia on literary translation with established writers and translators, as well as public readings of their work once the translation has been completed.

Application Requirements (Please download the official application online at www.susansontag.org.) All applications must include three copies of the following:

• Application Cover Sheet (available online at www.susansontag.org)
• Personal Statement (2 pages maximum) explaining your interest and background in literature and the source language • Project proposal (2 pages maximum) outlining the work and describing its importance • 5 page sample translation of the proposed work from the source language into English • The same passage in the original language • A bio-bibliography of the author (including information on previous translations of his or her work into English) • One academic letter of recommendation • Official transcript from your current or most recent academic institution

All applications must be submitted via regular mail to the Foundation address:

Susan Sontag Foundation
76 Franklin St. #3
NY, NY 10013

All application materials must be received by March 9, 2012.

The fine print: Applicants must be under the age of 30 on the date the prizewinner will be announced: June 1, 2012. By submitting work to the Susan Sontag Foundation, the applicant acknowledges the right of the Foundation to use the accepted work in its publications, on its website, and for educational and promotional purposes related to the Foundation.

Please note that application materials cannot be returned to applicants.