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Here at Honey & Wax, we take a particular interest in the evolving role of women in the rare book trade, on both the buying and selling sides. We are delighted to announce the fourth annual Honey & Wax Book Collecting Prize, a cash award of \$1000 for an outstanding book collection built by a woman aged 30 or younger, anywhere in the United States.

The winning collection must have been started by the contestant, and all items in the collection must be owned by her. A collection may include books, manuscripts, and ephemera; it may be organized by theme, author, illustrator, printing technique, binding style, or another clearly articulated principle. A great collection is more than a reading list: it's a chosen group of printed or manuscript items, creatively put together.

Collections will not be judged on their size or their market value, but on their originality and their success in illuminating their chosen subjects.

Please submit the following by the deadline of June 1, 2020:

- Your name, date of birth, mailing address, telephone number, and email address.
- An essay of no more than 1500 words describing the purpose, history, and goal of the collection. What inspired you to begin collecting? How has your focus changed over time? What question does your collection seek to answer?
- A bibliography of at least 20, but no more than 50, items in the collection arranged by author, date, or another principle of your choice. Each entry should include, at minimum, the author, title, place of publication, publisher, date, and a brief description.
- A wish list of the three books you would most like to add to the collection, explaining your reasoning.

Meet our past winners, and apply here:
www.honeyandwaxbooks.com/prize.php.

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This year's winner will be announced in September.*

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