Essay Contest

The **Marie Sklodowska Curie Professional Women's Association** is announcing an essay contest for the students of Polish Supplementary Schools in the New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut Area. **This year the subjects of the essay is the famous Polish film Director, Andrzej Wajda. We are not looking for a simple biography, but rather the student's understanding of the influence Wajda had on either the political and/or cultural attitude of his times based on one of his films.** Winning essays will be awarded at the MSCPWA awards ceremony and buffet on **Wednesday, May 20, at 7 pm**, at **Princess Manor** in Greenpoint, NY. Student must be present to receive the award.

Prizes:
First Prize - **$500**
Second Prize - **$300**
Third Prize - **$200**

Age requirement - thirteen to sixteen years old

Length - five to six typewritten pages, double-spaced, student name on each page, please number the pages.

Rubric -

•€the essay should be written in English using proper spelling, grammar, and essay structure

•€information must be accurate

•€research must be evident, and a bibliography of sources must be included

•€footnotes should be properly used when necessary

•€creativity is a requirement

•€essay must be in the student's own words

Deadline - essays must be received by **May 10, 2026**

Please fill out the attached application and e-mail in either WORD or pdf along with the essay to: **mary.c.bielski@gmail.com.** **Make sure the application and the essay are included in one document. Do not send two emails. Copy and paste the application at the beginning of your essay.**

*Please use **"MSCPWA Essay Contest"** as the subject.*

Marie Skłodowska Curie Essay Contest Application

***Name of student:**_____

Age: _____

Address: _____

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Tel: _____

Email: _____

***Name of parent or guardian:**_____

***Name of Supplementary School:** _____

Address: _____

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***Name of School Director:** _____

School Director's telephone number

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Email: _____