Tagore Society of Houston

2010 High School Seniors Essay Contest

Essay Topic and Instructions

Rabindranath Tagore was a prodigious Poet, Playwright, Essayist, and Philosopher, who in 1913 became the first Asian winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature based on a book of poems called the "Gitanjali". During his life time he traveled to all continents promoting the ideal of a world without borders, life dedicated to service and unity of all existence.

One of his more famous quotes is given below:

"The highest education is that which does not merely give us information but makes our life in harmony with all existence."

Review the above quote and write in 1000 words or less an essay based on its relevance to current times, what it may mean to you personally, and how it can help today's society. Participants are strongly encouraged to refer to Tagore's works for reference. The Essays however will be judged primarily on creativity, focus and language skills.

The deadline for submission is **Midnight May 16, 2010**.

Instructions for Submission:

The essays must be typed using common word processing or text editing software such as MS Word and submitted as an e-mail attached file to essaycontest@tagoresociety.org.

The first page of the submittal should include the following the heading & submitter personal information:

Heading: TSH 2010 High School Seniors Tagore Essay Contest
Name of Student:
e-mail of Student (if available):
Contact Phone No. of Student:
Name of High School:
Name of HS Principal:
Phone no. of HS Principal:
e-mail address of HS Principal:

All Information with must be supplied. Please contact the essay sponsors if some information cannot be supplied.