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To the principal of Clarke Central High School,

It is our pleasure to congratulate you and the staff of your school's publication, *iliad Literary-Art Magazine / iliadlitmag.com*, on being named a Crown Award Finalist by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

Crown finalists will receive either a Gold or Silver Crown Award during a special presentation at Columbia University in New York City on March 15, 2024.

This is an impressive feat, as CSPA's Board of Judges selected only 213 finalists from 672 entries submitted from across the country and around the world. Not every publication that enters is selected as a Crown finalist. Your school's staff exemplifies the type of journalism and storytelling that CSPA is proud to recognize and feature during its annual awards program.

Websites, newspapers, magazines, and yearbooks that were published during the 2022–2023 academic year were eligible for judging in the 2023 Crown Awards program. From September to November 2023, Crown entries were judged by scholastic and professional media experts.

We are pleased to invite your publication's staff to receive their award during a special Awards Convocation during our 100th Annual Spring Convention, held on the University's campus in New York City from Wednesday, March 13, through Friday, March 15, 2024.

It is also our pleasure to invite the *iliad Literary-Art Magazine / iliadlitmag.com* staff to be a part of our program during the convention. Staff members who are interested in presenting on the program should contact CSPA at cspa-meetings@columbia.edu. We will direct them to the specific details and requirements for becoming presenters at the event.

Sessions offered at the convention by Crown Award-winning staffs complement the more than 260 sessions being presented by award-winning faculty advisors and professional journalists. Being part of the convention will provide your publication staff members with opportunities to meet and network with other students from schools based in the U.S. and abroad, as well as with an interesting addition to their pre-college portfolios. Since the convention takes place on a college campus, attendees receive both an introduction to the college experience at Columbia and an exciting New York City experience.

Thank you for supporting your students in their pursuit of journalistic excellence.

Sincerely yours,

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