

The McLellan Prizes Overview

The Richard D. McLellan Prizes program design will include the following:

- Appointment of a national blue-ribbon committee to review nominees and select all McLellan Prize Winners.
- Awarding of an annual McLellan Prize of \$50,000 that identifies and celebrates the best writing, creative works, actions, or new media communications in defense or promotion of the First Amendment and the American tradition of free speech and expression.
- Awarding at least two summer McLellan research fellowships of \$12,500 each for scholars or journalists that enables them to work during those months on a proposed area of Free Speech studies.
- Holding an annual McLellan Prizes showcase event celebration at locations to be decided. This annual event will be highlighted by the presentation of the McLellan Prizes, a roundtable discussion with winners, reception and photo opportunities with McLellan Prize winners, entertainment, press, and hospitality. Future locations will be selected with the goal of creating events that maximize public awareness of the importance of our free speech tradition.