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## Editorial: It's voting time again!

The time has come to vote for the *Sixth Annual Mathematical Gazette Writing Awards*. Please use the address carrier from this issue of the *Gazette* to identify the articles and notes of 2000 that impressed you most. The *Index* for 2000 will remind you of the many good submissions.

There will again be a prize draw among those who respond. The prize, worth about £20, will be a copy of the book *Proof without out words II: more exercises in visual thinking*, by Roger B. Nelsen (MAA, 2000).

### Previous Annual Mathematical Gazette Writing Awards

Year	Best Article	Best Note
1998	<b>Robert M. Young</b> <i>Probability, pi, and the primes</i>	<b>Robert J. Clarke</b> <i>The quadratic equation formula</i>
1999	<b>Kiril Bankov</b> <i>Principle of the extreme element</i>	<b>Darrell Desbrow</b> <i>Volumetric proof of the sum of squares formula</i>
	<b>Graham Hoare</b> <i>Stanislav Ulam 1909 – 1984</i>	<b>Nick Lord</b> <i>Recent formulas for <math>\pi</math>: arctan revisited!</i>

Please indicate, in the spaces provided on the voting form, the titles of your 3 favourite *Articles* and your 3 favourite *Notes*. Note that *Matters for Debate* count as *Articles*. Alternatively, you can just write your choices in a letter or on a postcard. Each vote will be given equal weighting. The results will be announced in the July 2001 issue.

Return the form as soon as you can, and definitely by 31st May 2001 to:

**Gazette Poll, 91 High Road West, Felixstowe IP11 9AB, UK**

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