

## The Popular Uprisings in North Africa and the Middle East and Human Rights High School Student Essay Contest 2011

The turmoil associated with the popular uprisings in North Africa and the Middle East has overtaken a growing number of countries in the region. Amnesty International USA invites high school student activists to answer the following essay questions:

*What is the significance of the popular uprisings for the Middle East North Africa region and for the international human rights community? What is the role of young people and social media in mounting this challenge to so many established governments? And how should an organization like Amnesty International respond to this largely unforeseen development?*

Entrants must mail the application form along with their essay (700 words maximum) to the following address:

*Change Our World Essay Contest  
c/o AIUSA National Youth Program  
5 Penn Plaza 16th Floor  
New York, NY 10001*

**Extended Deadline: January 6, 2012**

### Prizes:

2 First Prize winners will be selected and awarded cash prizes of \$1,500 & trip to Denver, CO to attend AIUSA's Human Rights Conference from March 30 – April 1, 2012!

Additional awards include 2 second place awards of \$500 and 2 third place awards of \$250

### Rules and Entry Procedures

All rules, entry procedures and conditions can be found on <http://www.amnestyusa.org/youth>. If you have any questions please contact [youth@aiusa.org](mailto:youth@aiusa.org) or call 212.633.4171

***We wish you the best with the application process!***

