The 1st Congregational Church of Williamstown St. John's Episcopal Church of Williamstown and the Williams Chaplains' Office announce . . .

The 2019 William Sloane Coffin Prize for Passionate Public Speaking

...an annual opportunity for Williams College undergraduates to write and deliver a 10 minute persuasive, inspiring speech or sermon on a compelling topic of contemporary significance in either of two areas:

- Spirituality / Faith
- Social Justice / Activism

Three manuscripts will be chosen as finalists in each category, based on:

- Timeliness and relevance of topic
- Eloquence and persuasiveness of message
- Clarity of style and presentation

Instructions for submitting a Manuscript:

Manuscripts (1,800-2,000 words) and the Manuscript Cover Page form should be submitted together electronically to the Chaplains' Office by **9 a.m. on Monday, March 11.** This form can be found on the **Fellowships Office website** [Note: 1st-place winners in previous years' competitions are not eligible to enter.]

Questions, Email Lynn Chick (mchick@williams.edu)

Finalists will receive coaching in the oral presentation of their speeches and will deliver them to an eager audience of members of the College and Williamstown communities on Sunday evening, April 14 at The First Congregational Church.

The winning speaker in each category will receive a cash award of \$500.

Listen to past year's finalists! Visit http://chaplain.williams.edu/news/past-coffin-speeches/