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To the Applicants for the 2011-2012
Amy Lowell Poetry Travelling Scholarship:

I am pleased to announce that Spencer Reece, of New Haven, Connecticut, and Paisley Rekdal, of Salt Lake City, Utah, have been chosen from among 350 applicants as the 2011-2012 Amy Lowell Poetry Travelling Scholars. In naming two Scholars the Judges have exercised their authority under the Will of Amy Lowell, as reformed in 2008, to do so if they determine that two applications "are of such exceptionally equal merit that to award the Scholarship to only one applicant would distinguish arbitrarily between the two."

Ms. Rekdal is the author of six books of which the latest, "Intimate: A Family Photo Album," will be published by Tupelo Press in 2011. Publications in which her work has appeared include *Poetry*, *American Poetry Review*, and *The Kenyon Review*. She is Associate Professor of English at the University of Utah.

Mr. Reece's first book, "The Clerk's Tale" (Houghton Mifflin, 2004), was awarded the 2003 Breadloaf Writers' Conference Bakeless Prize. Publications in which his work has appeared include *The New Yorker*, *The Paris Review*, and *Poetry*. He is currently a candidate for ordination to the Episcopal priesthood.

Thank you all, most sincerely, for your interest in the Scholarship and your effort in applying, and best wishes in your writing careers.

Very truly yours,



F. Davis Dassori
Trustee under the Will of Amy Lowell