

### **Davidson Fellow**

# Rachel Emery

(\$10,000 Scholarship Recipient)



#### **Personal Info**

Name: Rachel Emery

Age: 16

Annville, Pennsylvania

### **School Info**

Rachel will be "dual-enrolled" as a junior at Annville-Cleona Public High School in Cleona, Pennsylvania and as a freshman at Simon's Rock College of Bard in Great Barrington, Massachusetts.

### **Davidson Fellows Submission** (Humanities: Literature)

Rachel wrote *I-Ana*, an insightful novella that explores human identity, soul and self-discovery, and examines the hard work involved in unearthing, understanding, and honoring one's true self.

## **Biography**

Rachel is a 16-year-old writer and thinker who lives in Cleona, a small town in central PA. Although Rachel dictated her first story "The Time of Great Recise" when she was only four years old, she started writing seriously at age eight with "Z5B", a science fiction triptych. She has won numerous awards in both poetry and fiction and has participated in the Johns Hopkins University Young Writers Tutorial program for the past five years.

Just recently, Rachel has finished the final editing of her first novel, a 370-page fantasy work entitled "Lifeknot". Academically, Rachel has a keen interest in what she calls the "three P's": psychology, philosophy, and physics. When Rachel is not writing, she enjoys playing flute, hand bells and electric bass, and is active in school and church musical groups. She is an avid outdoors person, and is passionate about the wilderness canoe trip she does in Ontario every summer. Rachel also plays soccer, and has served as goalkeeper for her high school team for the past two years. Rachel will begin college this fall and will also be mentored by best-selling authors Faye and Jonathan Kellerman, through the American Psychological Association's Pinnacle Project.

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## **College/Career Plans**

Rachel hopes to study psychology and writing as an undergraduate, and then go on to pursue graduate work.

#### **Honors/Awards**

- Davidson Fellow, September, 2001
- National Honor Society
- · Who's Who Among American High School Students
- Junior National Honor Society
- · Distinguished Honor Roll
- National English Merit Award
- Johns Hopkins University/Center for Talented Youth Participant
- Acceleration to Excellence Program Scholar

# **Community Service:**

Active in school and church musical groups