

Entertainment

Style Invitational Week 1146: Stick it to us with an idea for a new Loser magnet

And the winning tweets from @JFKanye West and other hybrid names from Week 1142





Honorable-mention magnets from 2014-15 and 2011-12. It's time to do a set for 2016. (The magnets can also be horizontal.) (Designed by Bob Staake for The Washington Post; slogans by Barbara Turner (left) and Tom Witte.)

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(Click here to skip down to the results of our "hybrid tweet" contest)

Ever since 2004, when we stopped sending out bumper stickers, the Empress has been awarding each Style Invitational honorablemention winner a Lusted-After Loser Magnet, created by the unmentionable Bob Staake and featuring a contest-winning slogan. Every year or so, we print two new designs, 500 copies each — so they really are limited-edition artworks.

And now that we're low on the 2015 models — <u>"Hardly Har-Har"</u> and <u>"The Wit Hit the Fan"</u> — tell us what to put on our next pair of magnets. This is the first time we've asked you since 2012; we've been using runner-up entries since then. Over the years, the slogans



have taken several tacks: (a) the idea of being not quite good enough to win ("<u>Middle-Wit Champion</u>"; <u>"Honor Among Dweebs</u>"); (b) the idea of being bad (<u>"Discredit Card</u>"; <u>"Po' Wit Laureate</u>") (c) a fairly positive sentiment (<u>"Puns of Steel</u>"); and (4) a joke about the Invite in general (<u>"Sunday Drivel</u>").



Surely you don't want to attend Thanksgiving dinner without proper headwear: Style and Metro art director Susana Sanchez-Young poses gamely in this week's second prize. (Pat Myers/The Washington Post)

This week: Suggest a new Style Invitational honorable-mention magnet to be drawn by Bob. You can include just the text and Bob will illustrate, or suggest a visual idea as well — in fact, Bob exhorted me to remind you: "Think visually!" But remember: The magnet is only the size of a business card (2 by 3.5 inches), and it needs to say "The Style Invitational," "The Washington Post," "Honorable Mention" and "2016" — so you can't also show a complicated cartoon and/or a long sentence. See this week's Style Conversational (bit.ly/conv1146) for all the slogans so far. You may resubmit your own idea from any of our previous prize-slogan contests.

Winner gets — along with the magnet with the winning slogan — the <u>Inkin' Memorial</u>, the Lincoln statue bobblehead that is the official Style Invitational trophy. Second place gets the other magnet we'll be using, plus — just in time for Thanksgiving dinner — this fabulous pumpkin pie hat, modeled here by Style graphic designer Susana Sanchez-Young (Empress: "Would you like to have your picture in the paper with a pie slice on your head?" Susie: "Do I have time to put on some lipstick?").

Other runners-up win their choice of a yearned-for Loser Mug or the ardently desired "Whole Fools" <u>Grossery Bag.</u> Honorable mentions get, yes, a magnet, probably the last of the current batch. First Offenders receive a smelly tree-shaped air "freshener" (<u>FirStink</u> for their first ink). E-mail entries to <u>losers@washpost.com</u> or, if you were born in the 19th century, fax to 202-334-4312. Deadline is Monday night, Nov. 3; results published Nov. 15 (online Nov. 12). You may submit up to 25 entries per contest. Include "Week 1146" in your e-mail subject line or it might be ignored as spam. Include your real name, postal address and phone number with your entry. See contest rules and guidelines at <u>wapo.st/InvRules</u>. The headline for this week's results is by Kevin Dopart; the honorablementions subhead was submitted by both Jeff Shirley and Danielle Nowlin. Join the lively Style Invitational Devotees group on Facebook at <u>on.fb.me/invdev</u>. "Like" the Style Invitational Ink of the Day on Facebook at <u>bit.ly/inkofday</u>.

The Style Conversational: The Empress's weekly online column discusses each new contest and set of results. Especially if you plan to enter, check it out at <u>wapo.st/styleconv</u>.

And the results of the Style Invitational contest announced four weeks ago ...

Social neTWOrking: Report from Week 1142



In Week 1142, inspired by the tweets of <u>KimKierkegaardashian</u>, we asked you to combine two names into a Twitter handle, and write a tweet or "bio" by the hybrid person:

4th place

@Lao-Tzuperman: A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single bound. (Chris Doyle, Ponder, Tex.)

3rd place

@JFKanye: Ask not what your country can do for you - ask what you can do for you. (Or for me.)" (Lela Martin, Midlothian, Va.)

2nd place and the "I'm an california gril" T-shirt:

@Trumpelstiltskin: Of course the bimbo knew my name — everybody knows my name! And I never wanted her firstborn. Ugliest kid I ever saw. (John Glenn, Tyler, Tex.)

And the winner of the Inkin' Memorial

@OrangeJulius: Could be well mov'd: My friends in the House are sticking knives into me. #IdesOfSeptember (Gary Crockett, Chevy Chase, Md.)

Tweetin' Low: honorable mentions

@BieberOfSeville: Look at Me... Look at Me... LookatMeLookatMeLookatMeLookatMe... LOOK AT ME! (Todd DeLap, Fairfax, Va.)

@RonaldonaldReagantrump: Mr. Obama, put up that wall! (Warren Tanabe, Annapolis, Md.)

@Trumpelstiltskin:I can spin this straw poll into gold. (Jesse Frankovich, Lansing, Mich.)

@Santorumplestiltskin: Do you even know what my name means? No, wait Don't Google it! (Jamie Martindale, McLean, Va.)

@BelaLuGehrig: Today I consider myself the suckiest man on the face of this earth. (Gary Crockett)

@GenPaulMacArthurny: I shall go back! Go back! Go back to where I once belonged! (Doug Frank, Crosby, Tex.)

@RalphWaldoLauren: Nature always wears the colors of the spirit. Thinking of new tanning product line, silver/turquoise packaging. Classic. (Pat Tompkins, San Mateo, Calif., a First Offender)

@JohnLewistler'sMother: Fought all my life for civil rights, but in that painting I'm a prime example of profiling. #gray and blacklives matter (Mae Scanlan, Washington)

@MrBillcelMarceau: : o
(Jeff Shirley, Richmond)

@KeanuReevevere: The British are coming! Whoa. (David Friedman, Arlington, Va.)

@JayLenOmar Khayyam: The moving finger writes, and having writ, moves on. Well, it writ me smack out of late night, and I haven't moved on yet. (Mae Scanlan)

@FScottFitzGeraldFord: So we beat on, boats against the current, borne back ceaselessly into the — oops! Man overboard! (Mark Raffman, Reston)

@HennyJungman: Take my wife ... as an example of an overdeveloped superego! (Doug Frank)



@YogiBerraGrylls: When you come to a fork in the road, pick it up, sharpen the tines, lash it to a stick, and use it to hunt small reptiles for food. (Ben Aronin, Washington)

@SwedishChefferson: Yers der tree øf libjörtie müst be refrüshed vrom time der time vit de blüd øf patriørts und tyrants. Børk!
Børk! (Davd Friedman)

@StevieWonderWoman: It's true – I have an invisible airplane. Invisible to me anyway. (Dave Ferry, Purvis, Miss.)

@SecretariatHRClinton: So I'm supposed to just keep running to the left? (Mark Spencer, Waldorf, Md., a First Offender)

@RobertTheBruceLee: Kicking the English out of Scotland. Literally. (Lawrence McGuire, Waldorf, Md.)

@ RobertFrostyTheSnowman: Some say the world will end in fire, some say in ice. All I know is that if this hat goes, I'm a puddle. (Rob Huffman, Fredericksburg, Va.)

@RaspuTaylorSwiftin: Stabbers gonna stab stab stab stab stab. But I shake it off, I shake it off. (Sandy Moran, Santa Rosa, Calif.)

@OliviaNewtonJean-LucPicard: I hate Q, I honestly hate Q. Yar, the one that I want. (Barbara Turner, Takoma Park, Md.)

@JimmyJacobBuffett: I dreamed a ladder was set upon the beach, reaching up to paradise and at the top, behold: a cheeseburger. Wow. Blew out my flip-flop. (George-Ann Rosenberg, Washington)

@JackLordByron: She walks in beauty like the night. Book 'er, Danno. Solicitation. (Gary Crockett)

@Hillary Clinton Portis: Don't worry, fans – I'm still running and running and running for Washington! (Jamie Martindale)

@HerodTheGreatPumpkin: This Halloween, I shall rise from the most sincere patch, seek the world's good children, and slaughter them. (Jeff Contompasis, Ashburn, Va.)

@GeorgeR.R.MartinLutherKing: I have a dream today, and I will tell you the next part of it in five or six years. (Duncan Stevens, Vienna, Va.)

@ DonMcLenaDunham: And I knew if I had my chance / That I could go take off my pants / And maybe HBO'd be happy for a while (Rivka Riss-Levinson, Washington, a First Offender)

@DeepakGrouchopra: I find meditation diverting — whenever someone starts to meditate, I go in the other room and smoke a cigar.
(Frank Osen, Pasadena, Calif.)

@ CharlesDa'IrwinCrocHunter: Crikey! This magnificent creature appears to be the predecessor of several other species! Cranky little bugger, though. (David Friedman)

@CarlyFioSimon: I'm so vain, I probably think I saved HP. (Robert Schechter, Dix Hills, N.Y.)

@CaptKirkCousins: If Scotty would beam me up about a foot, those @#\$%&* linebackers couldn't tip my passes. (Dick Barnes, Washington)

@ BryceHarperLee: Shoot all the Blue Jays you want, if you can hit 'em, but remember it's a sin to choke a National. (Tom Witte, Montgomery Village, Md.)

BritneyShakeSpears (@Oops): At which hour lest I not be with thee I lose mine mind. Giveth unto me a sign. Hit mine own self baby again but once. (Kevin Dopart)

@AnneFrankGehry: In spite of everything, I still believe that people would rather live in functionless forms that don't belong in their surroundings. (Roy Ashley, Washington)



@EmmaLazarump: Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free — I'll make them pay for the wall I'll build to keep them out. (Gary Crockett)

@EmmaLazaRushLimbaugh: We don't want your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning for free stuff. (Chris Doyle)

@TrumptyDumpty: Trust me, I know about walls. #LetsPutAmericaTogetherAgain (Jesse Frankovich)

Still running – deadline Monday night: Our annual Tour de Fours neologism contest. See <u>bit.ly/invite1145</u>.

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