

Contest Results to the Existentially Challenging Question:

Why sell these earrings in sets of three?

This year, I have started a new series of earrings that have three to a set. Instead of me telling you why, I challenged you to tell *me* why. After collecting over 40 entries, I submitted the entries to two impartial judges. The first judge, Eunice, was the first woman to receive a Ph.D. from Harvard Business School. Her daughter Paola has recently received her Ph.D. in continental philosophy. The results are in, and I am pleased to announce the grand prize-winner, who will receive one free set of earrings:

***So you have it in the unlikely event someone lends you an ear—
submitted by Don Struck, St. Paul***

The judges also gave awards of distinction (no material value whatsoever) in several other categories:

Most Empowering: The freedom to lose one.

Most Obvious: For your third ear.

Most Prophetic: And the two shall become three.

Most American: Because more is always better.

Most Practical: In case you lose one or if you don't like how they match.

Most Intriguing: Menopause.

Most Amusing to Artist's Daughter: Because the artist is confused

Most Far Out: Because as you get older, you lose your hearing and we will now evolve to have three ears—one to save for later.