

History Day in Connecticut

State Contest Results (9 Pages) from May 9, 2015 at Central Connecticut State University

Senior Division

Category: Group Website

First Place: *World Wide Webster: Noah Webster & His Legacies*
Students: Smrithi Raman, Swati Rath, Sahiti Alavala
School: Farmington High School, Farmington

Second Place: *Winston Churchill: The English Bulldog*
Students: Emma Cook, Marissa Cardono
School: Classical Magnet School, Hartford

Third Place: *J. Edgar Hoover and the Professionalization of the FBI*
Students: Renukanandan Tumu, Prashant Swami
School: Farmington High School, Farmington

Category: Individual Website

First Place: *East Meets West: Rong Hong and the Chinese Educational Mission*
Student: Jessica Shi
School: Choate Rosemary Hall, Wallingford

Second Place: *Contraception and Constitutional Rights: The Defendants of Griswold v. Connecticut*
Student: Shay Pezzulo
School: Classical Magnet School, Hartford

Third Place: *Paulo Freire: Educating the Oppressed*
Student: Khadija Hussain
School: Wilbur Cross High School, New Haven

Category: Group Documentary

First Place: *Igor Sikorsky and the Invention of the Helicopter*

Students: Allen Haugh, Chase Fountain, Alec Bohlman, Eric Chiarillo

School: Farmington High School, Farmington

Second Place: *Igor Sikorsky: Innovator and Aviator*

Students: Emmett Reilly, William Miller, Griffin Wolf, David Roper

School: Pomperaug High School, Southbury

Third Place: *Walt Disney: Turning Dreams into Reality*

Students: Allison Gorman, Madeleine Glassner, Karli Janssen, Julia Tiedt

School: Ellington High School, Ellington

Category: Individual Documentary

First Place: *Public Citizen*

Students: T.J. Noel-Sullivan

School: Classical Magnet School, Hartford

Second Place: *Steve Jobs: A Man of Revolutionary Ideas*

Student: Alex Prior

School: Bolton High School, Bolton

Third Place: *Woody Guthrie: Voice of America*

Student: Theo Camara

School: Lewis S. Mills High School, Burlington

Category: Group Exhibit

First Place: *The Bayh-Dole Act: Bi-Partisan Leadership Creates Legacy of Innovation*

Student: Madeline Langdon, Claire Langdon, Emma Langdon

School: Greenfield Hills Girls School, Fairfield

Second Place: *J. Alden Weir Painting a Legacy*

Students: Mary Lynch, Elizabeth Lynch, Hana Previte, Claire Graham, Isabel Saltzman

School: Wilton High School, Wilton

Third Place: *Kit Hepburn: The Spark of Equal Women's Rights*

Students: Claire Seo, Christina Yu

School: Staples High School, Westport

Category: Individual Exhibit

First Place: *Pope's Unexpected Legacy: Paving the Way for America's Mobility*

Students: Samuel Porcello

School: Conard High School, West Hartford

Second Place: *Estelle Griswold: Birth Control Rights are Born*

Student: Lauren Stack

School: Staples High School, Westport

Third Place: *Abbey Meyers: The Mother of Orphan Drugs*

Student: Danielle Meyers

School: Nonnewaug High School, Woodbury

Category: Group Performance

First Place: *A Terrible Beauty is Born: The Leadership of James Connolly and Patrick Pearse and the Controversial Legacy of the Easter Rising*

Students: Isabella Altherr, Annabel Barry, Quinn Barry, Maxwell Chung, Shannon Madden

School: Pequot Home School, Southport

Second Place: *Coretta Scott King*

Students: Pritisha Amatya, Imani Richardson, Chamari White-Mink, Aneris Castro

School: Classical Magnet School, Hartford

Third Place: *Mother Theresa: Worker for the Less Fortunate*

Students: Mikayla Bonanno, Caitlin Wing

School: Ellington High School, Ellington

Category: Individual Performance

First Place: *The Fame Factory: Mass-Producing Art's Final Frontier*

Student: Nicholas Serrambana

School: Classical Magnet School, Hartford

Second Place: *Rachel Carson: Leadership in the Environmental Movement*

Student: Maya Geradi

School: Wilbur Cross High School, New Haven

Third Place: *The Legacies of Harvard, Yale and William and Mary That Led America in Prestigious Education*

Student: Guada Mary Benoit

School: Norwich Free Academy, Norwich

Category: Senior Paper

First Place: *One Nation, Under God: The Leadership of John Winthrop and Roger Williams*

Student: Alice Schaumann

School: Academy of Information Technology and Engineering, Stamford

Second Place: *Clara Barton: From Stubbornness to Success*

Student: Tanusri Balla

School: Academy of Information Technology and Engineering, Stamford

Third Place: *Asoka: Tyranny, Compassion, and a Lasting Legacy*

Student: Nanicha Sethpornpong

School: Choate Rosemary Hall, Wallingford

Junior Division

Category: Group Website

First Place: *Rosa Luxemburg*

Students: Musa Hussain, Minjae Ko

School: Worthington Hooker Middle School, New Haven

Second Place: *Hammurabi's Code*

Students: Anne Bekasi, Alissa Hoffman, Ryleigh Shortell

School: Thomas Edison Middle School, Meriden

Third Place: *Alfred Nobel – Innovator to the Modern Era*

Students: Abby Moran, Srishti Pithadia, Soumya Ganti

School: Madison Middle School, Trumbull

Category: Individual Website

First Place: *Restoring the Padauk: Aung San Suu Kyi's Crusade for Democracy*

Student: Mei Han

School: Worthington Hooker Middle School, New Haven

Second Place: *And He Said Death to America: The Rule of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini*

Student: Anaisja Henry

School: Renzulli Academy, Hartford

Third Place: *JFK and His Navigation Through the Cuban Missile Crisis*

Student: Luke Welch

School: Bedford Middle School, Westport

Category: Group Documentary

First Place: *The Work of the 36th President: Achievements That Left a Mark on History*

Students: Abigail Bar, Amealia Maynard, Kelley Gifford

School: Mansfield Middle School, Mansfield

Second Place: *Sarah Edmonds: Fighting Confederates and Gender Discrimination in the Military*

Students: Erin Mutchek, Grace Martin

School: Timothy Edwards Middle School, South Windsor

Third Place: *Julius Caesar: Creating an Empire*

Students: Jake Zweifler, Scott Steinmetz

School: King Philip Middle School, West Hartford

Category: Individual Documentary

First Place: *The Quiet Leadership of Major Karl Plagge*

Student: Jack Higgins

School: Thomas Edison Middle School, Meriden

Second Place: *Rachel Carson: Not So Silent*

Student: Lena Macdonald

School: Worthington Hooker Middle School, New Haven

Third Place: *Shays' Rebellion: The Farmers' Revolt*

Student: Ana Peczuh

School: Hall Memorial School, Willington

Category: Group Exhibit

First Place: *Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet: Leader in Deaf Education*

Students: Jayde Zainc, Jackie Tavoletti, Cassie Reilly

School: Memorial Middle School, Middlebury

Second Place: *Amazing Grace: Grace Hopper's Empowering Legacy*
Students: Sarah Cao, Catherine Grenier
School: Mansfield Middle School

Third Place: *Coco: Building the House of Chanel*
Students: Emily Sforza, Mia Pollack, Zoe Gupta
School: Fairfield Woods Middle School, Fairfield

Category: Individual Exhibit

First Place: *The Orphan Trains: Leading the Way to Social Services*
Student: Lindsay Meyers
School: Rochambeau Middle School, Southbury

Second Place: *Gone With the Window: The Legacy of Louis Comfort Tiffany*
Student: Thomas Wilson
School: Sedgwick Middle School, West Hartford

Third Place: *Julia Lathrop, America's First Official Mother: The Rise of the U.S. Children's Bureau*
Student: Jaiden Hathaway
School: Mansfield Middle School

Category: Group Performance

First Place: *Rangers Lead the Way! The Leadership and Enduring Legacy of Major Robert Rogers*
Students: Alex Krawiec, Zach Healy, Nick Steele
School: JFK Middle School, Enfield

Second Place: *Igor Sikorsky: Pioneer, Innovator, Aviator*
Students: Samir Singh, Mark Handler, Peter Cullen, Ethan Rodier, Matt Holden
School: Fairfield Woods Middle School, Fairfield

Third Place: *Wild Bill Donovan: An Innovative Spy*
Students: Colleen Moore, Julia Morledge
School: Weston Middle School, Weston

Category: Individual Performance

First Place: *Clare Boothe Luce: "Thought Has No Sex"*
Student: Margo Pedersen
School: Worthington Hooker Middle School, New Haven

Second Place: *Winston Churchill: The Great Orator*
Student: James Gikas
School: Bedford Middle School, Westport

Third Place: *Vive La Resistance: Lucie Aubrac's Legacy From the French Resistance to the Leadership in Women's Suffrage*
Student: Fallon Moore
School: Sedgwick Middle School, West Hartford

Category: Junior Paper

First Place: *Unwavering Resolve: The Life, Leadership and Legacy of Golda Meir*
Student: Varun Aggarwal
School: Talcott Mountain Academy, Avon

Second Place: *The Marshall Plan: The Economic Legacy of World War II*
Student: Prastik Mohanraj
School: Engineering Science University Magnet School, New Haven

Third Place: *Cesar Chavez: Legacy of Labor*
Student: Joey Lemieux
School: Sedgwick Middle School, West Hartford

SPECIAL PRIZES

Laurie Rayner Spirit of History Day Award- Junior Division
Sponsored by the Connecticut League of History Organizations
Leah Cunha, Timothy Edwards Middle School, South Windsor

Laurie Rayner Spirit of History Day Award-Senior Division
Sponsored by the Connecticut League of History Organizations
Alanna Uthgenannt, Conard High School, West Hartford

Outstanding Entry in Contemporary History (1960 on):
Sponsored by the Connecticut Historical Society
Cameron Slocum: *Pete Seeger* - Junior Individual Documentary
Sedgwick Middle School, West Hartford

Outstanding Entry Related to Civics, Government or Citizenship – Junior Division:
Sponsored by the Connecticut Public Affairs Network and Connecticut's Old State House
Brooke Tillotson: *Andrew Jackson Jr.* – Paper
Windsor Locks Middle School, Windsor Locks

Outstanding Entry Related to Civics, Government or Citizenship – Senior Division:
Sponsored by the Connecticut Public Affairs Network and Connecticut's Old State House

So Jeong Lim: *Eleanor Roosevelt* – Paper
Choate Rosemary Hall, Wallingford

Outstanding Entry Related to Leadership and Legacy in History:

Sponsored by Archives & Special Collections at the Thomas J. Dodd Research Center, University of Connecticut Libraries.

Victoria Farrell, Kayla Gobar: *Nathan Hale: Connecticut's State Hero* – Senior Group Exhibit

New Britain High School, New Britain

Outstanding Entry Related to Connecticut Law:

Sponsored by the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society

Lauren Stack: *Estelle Griswold* - Senior Individual Exhibit

Staples High School, Westport

Outstanding Entry Related to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender History:

Sponsored by Sexuality and Gender Empowerment (SAGE) at the Metropolitan Learning Center

Alyssa Pagan, Quincy Ponvert: *Margaret Mead's Impact on Anthropology* – Senior Group Website

Wilbur Cross High School, New Haven

Outstanding Entry Related to Medical History:

Sponsored by the Connecticut Medical Society

Amie Lee: *The Legacy of William Morton and the History of Anesthesia* – Junior Individual Exhibit

Vernon Center Middle School, Vernon

Outstanding Entry in Native American History:

Sponsored by the Institute for American Indian Studies

Maya Rose: *Maria Tallchief* – Junior Individual Performance

King Philip Middle School, West Hartford

Outstanding Entry in the Arts:

Sponsored by the Wadsworth Atheneum

Alyssa Domenico, Tia Pogue: *Rod Serling* – Senior Group Documentary

Staples High School, Westport

Outstanding Entry Related to the American Civil War:

Sponsored by the Connecticut Civil War Commission

Erin Mutchek, Grace Martin: *Sarah Edmonds* – Junior Group Documentary

Timothy Edwards Middle School, South Windsor

Outstanding Entry Related to Slavery or Abolition – Junior Division:

Sponsored by the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance or Abolition

Manny Benitez, Mercy Olayiwola, Kevin Slisz: *Harriet Tubman* – Junior Group Website

HALS Academy, New Britain

Outstanding Entry Related to Slavery or Abolition – Senior Division:

Sponsored by the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance or Abolition

Kelly Ferrero: *John Brown: Zealous Resolve* – Senior Paper

Manchester High School, Manchester

David O. White Prize for Outstanding Entry in African-American History:

Sponsored by the Association for the Study of Connecticut History

Rose Luczaj: *Little Rock Nine* – Junior Individual Exhibit

Roger Ludlowe Middle School, Fairfield

Outstanding Entry Related to a Connecticut Woman:

Sponsored by the Connecticut Women’s Hall of Fame

Gillian Woodman: *The Woman Behind the Voice That Changed America* – Senior Paper

Academy Of Information Technology & Engineering, Stamford

Outstanding Entry in Women’s History – Junior Division:

Sponsored by the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center

Paige Bauer: *The Journal of a Suffragist: Diary of Susan B. Anthony* – Paper

Timothy Edwards Middle School, South Windsor

Outstanding Entry in Women’s History – Senior Division:

Sponsored by the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center

Gillan Bullock: *From Etiquette to Suffragette* – Individual Website

Coventry High School, Coventry

Outstanding Entry that Best Incorporates Jewish History, Heritage and/or a Jewish Personality:

Sponsored by the Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County

Maggie Limone, Caroline Lauf: *Emma Goldman* - Junior Group Performance

Fairfield Woods Middle School, Fairfield

Outstanding Entry in Early American History (up to 1815):

The Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Rachel Gupta, Caitlen Strzgonski: *The Founding Fathers of American Espionage* – Junior Group Documentary

East Granby Middle School, East Granby

Outstanding Entry in Connecticut History from 1900 – 1950:

Sponsored by ConnecticutHistory.Org, a program of Connecticut Humanities
Logan Horowitz, Jake Moskowitz, Jarrett Rende, Jack Pflug: *New Haven Pizza* –
Senior Group Documentary
Staples High School, Westport

Outstanding Entry in Connecticut History – Junior Division:

Sponsored by the Society of the Descendants of the Founders of Hartford
Leah Gaffney, Zoe Hyres-Buley, Sarah Belas: *Noah Webster: His Legacy to Our Nation*
– Group Performance
HALS Academy, New Britain

Outstanding Entry in Connecticut History – Senior Division:

Sponsored by the Society of the Descendants of the Founders of Hartford
Jonathan Demeter, Dylan Gleicher, Ben Shmaruk: *Frederick Rentschler* – Group
Documentary
Staples High School, Westport

Outstanding Entry for Use of Materials and/or Collections Held in a Connecticut
Archives, Museum or Historical Society tied to a CT Historic Site:

Sponsored by the Connecticut League of History Organizations
Richie Mailhos, Alexander Park: *Hall Heritage: The Industrialization of a Small Town*
– Junior Group Documentary
Hall Memorial School, Willington

Outstanding Entry in Primary Sources – Junior Division:

Sponsored by the National Archives at Boston
Lindsey McDonald, Sommer Miller, Paige Moffat: *La Amistad: A Legacy to the
Abolitionist Movement* – Group Exhibit
Memorial Middle School, Middlebury

Outstanding Entry in Primary Sources – Senior Division:

Sponsored by the National Archives at Boston
T.J. Noel-Sullivan: *Public Citizen: Ralph Nader* – Senior Individual Documentary
Classical Magnet School, Hartford

Outstanding Entry Related to Hartford History:

Sponsored by the Hartford History Center at Hartford Public Library
Isabella Pattacini, Emily Maneux: *Beatrice Fox Auerbach: Leadership in Human
Resources* – Senior Group Website
Manchester High School, Manchester

Outstanding Entry in Maritime History – Junior Division:

Sponsored by the National Maritime Historical Society
Paige Moffat, Lindsay McDonald, Sommer Miller: *La Amistad: A Legacy to the
Abolitionist Movement* – Group Exhibit
Memorial Middle School, Middlebury

Outstanding Entry in Maritime History – Senior Division:
Sponsored by the National Maritime Historical Society
Josephine Bensa: *Amistad Revolt* – Individual Website
Classical Magnet School, Hartford