Connecticut History Day  
2019 Torrington Regional Contest Results  

Junior Division  

Category: Junior Papers  

First Place: The Treason of Benedict Arnold: A Tale of Triumph and Tragedy  
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School  
Student: Eileen Peng  

Second Place: Slavery in the Constitution  
School: Memorial Middle School  
Student: Julianna Morris  

Third Place: Wallace Stevens: Walking and Writing through Triumph and Tragedy  
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School  
Student: Preston McNulty Socha  

Category: Junior Group Documentary  

First Place: Jesse Owens: Running Larger Than Life  
School: Memorial Middle School  
Students: Liam Quinn and Jonah Turner  

Second Place: The Holocaust: Was there Triumph, or only Tragedy?  
School: Salisbury Central School  
Students: Leighton Smith, Aron Ladanyi, Jerome Maury, and Braden Murphy  

Third Place: The Life of Abraham Lincoln and his Family  
School: Har-Bur Middle School  
Students: Kaitlyn Bell and Christina Kapros  

Category: Junior Individual Documentary  

First Place: Itzhak Perlman: Inspiring Ability  
School: Memorial Middle School  
Student: Aliza Creel
Second Place: Harriet Beecher Stowe: An Author Transforming Tragedy into Triumph
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Student: Sachi Akmal

Third Place: David Bushnell- Failure to the Patriot Cause but Hero of Modern Naval Warfare
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Student: Andre Rainville

Category: Junior Group Website

First Place: The DAR - What has Changed?
School: Memorial Middle School
Students: Carolyn Bonomo and Hannah Casey

Second Place: The Hello Girls: Shattering The Glass Ceiling In World War One
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Willa Brasch, Sarah Gerg, and Audrey Antony

Third Place: Avoiding An American Tragedy: When Southbury said NO to the Nazis
School: Memorial Middle School
Students: David Burke and Raiyan Hussain

Category: Junior Individual Website

First Place: Triumph Rises from the Ashes: The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire
School: Sedgwick Middle School
Student: Lillian Fletcher

Second Place: The Amesville Ironworks: Triumph or Tragedy?
School: Salisbury Central School
Student: Gabriel Perkins

Third Place: Rachel Carson and Her Fight For The Environment
School: Talcott Mountain Academy
Student: Devon Pullis
Category: Junior Group Exhibit

First Place: Sting of the WASPs: The Triumphs and Tragedies of Women Pilots During World War II
School: Memorial Middle School
Students: Isabella DeLeo and Julia Pellegrini

Second Place: The Man Behind Mickey
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Ioannis Rountos and Dylan Hennessy

Third Place: Animals Save Lives
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Joey Arizzi and Jordan Bido

Category: Junior Individual Exhibit

First Place: Operation Cowboy
School: Red Maple Academy
Student: Kathryn Lucente

Second Place: Slavery In America
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Student: Daniel Naulaguari

Third Place: The Black Panther Party
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Student: Tylyn Johnson

Category: Junior Group Performance

First Place: Cleopatra: How her Tragic Death Led to Triumph
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Abigail Langston and Gabriella Rand

Second Place: Isabella Beecher Hooker: The Woman who Changed History with her Story
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Manisha Arun and Alita Ambookkan

Third Place: Our New Lives
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Category: Junior Individual Performance

First Place: The Tragic and Triumphant "Tail" of Stubby, the Military Dog
School: Sedgwick Middle School
Student: Marlena Pegolo

Second Place: The Tragedy Typhoid Mary
School: Sedgwick Middle School
Student: Daphne Brewer
Senior Division

Category: Senior Papers

First Place: The Creation of the State of Israel
School: Torrington High School
Student: Jacqueline Torlai

Second Place: How Did World War II Affect the Discrimination of Blacks?
School: Nonnewaug High School
Student: Rebecca Riddle

Category: Senior Group Documentary

First Place: Angela Davis: Trial of 1972
School: Wilbur Cross High School
Students: Sadie Turner and Eloise Benoit

Second Place: Creation of the State of Israel
School: Torrington High School
Students: Abigail Wilson, Caroline Ahlman, and Payton Graham

Third Place: LGBTQ+ Rights Throughout History
School: Torrington High School
Students: Jessica Dong and Brynn MacAulay

Category: Senior Group Website

First Place: A Connecticut Triumph: The Signers of the Declaration of Independence
School: Torrington High School
Students: Steven Tran, Brian Tapia, and Domenic Toscano

Second Place: The French Resistance
School: Torrington High School
Student: Makayla Diogostine and Matt Embrey

Third Place: The Triumph and Tragedy of Sybil Ludington
School: Danbury High School
Students: Sarah Barta, Caitlin Van Tronk, Allyson Vecchia-Spooner
Category: Senior Individual Website

First Place: Where Do We Draw The Line? -- How The Triumph Of District-Based Representative Government Devolved Into A Tragic Distortion Of American Democratic Ideals
School: Simsbury High School
Student: Josh Picoult

Second Place: Justice Restored: The Civil Rights Act of 1964
School: Torrington High School
Student: Daley Curry

Third Place: Chinese Immigration to the U.S.; Prisoners in the Land of the Free
School: Pomperaug Regional High School
Student: Evelyn Kuo

Category: Senior Group Exhibit

First Place: The History of Fingerprinting
School: Danbury High School
Students: Chrystel Acosta and Gabriela Galarza

Second Place: Mutiny and Murder: Anastasia and the Bolsheviks
School: Danbury High School
Students: Ana Dela Cruz, Faith Thomas, Laura Snow, Valerie Fox, and Elizabeth Antedomenico

Third Place: Tragic Student led Soweto uprising leads to Global Awareness and Action Against South African Apartheid
School: Pomperaug Regional High School
Students: Catherine Tavoletti, Meaghan Yale, and Emma Williams

Category: Senior Individual Exhibit

First Place: Out of the Closet and Into the Medicine Cabinet: ACT UP New York’s Healthcare Triumphs
School: Northwest Catholic
Student: Mia Porcello

Second Place: Hartford Civic Center
School: Red Maple Academy
Student: Dominic Lucente
Third Place: The Triumph and Tragedy of Pablo Escabar
School: Danbury High School
Student: Arta Berisha

Category: Senior Group Performance

First Place: Histeria of the Salem Witch Trials
School: Danbury High School
Students: Andrew Philbin, Gabriel Dos Santos, Malcolm Going, Jarod Rodriguez, and Montez Osbey