Connecticut History Day
2018 State Contest Special Prizes Results

Bruce Fraser Prize for Outstanding Senior Paper
Sponsored by Connecticut Coalition for History
School: Academy of Information Technology and Women Engineering
Student: Donia Elmansy

The Bill Brayfield Prize for Outstanding Junior Group Documentary
Sponsored by Connecticut Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History
Project: The Struggle for Atomic Morality
School: Northwestern Regional 7
Students: Grace Falk and Tessa Goddu

State Historian's Prize for Outstanding Entry in Connecticut History
Sponsored by the Connecticut State Historian
Project: Nike Missile Sites: The National Security Measure that Sparked Conflict and Compromise
School: Staples High School
Students: Kathryn Enquist and Shea Curran

Outstanding Entry in 17th Century Connecticut History
Sponsored by the Society of the Descendants of the Founders of Hartford
School: JFK Middle School, Enfield
Student: Stephen Isherwood Jordon Blais

Conflict and Compromise in CT History
Archives & Special Collections - University of Connecticut Libraries
Project: Bridgeport Teachers Strike of 1978-80
School: Torrington High School
Student: Justin Mattiello, Zach McLaughlin, Adam Vanotti

David O. White Prize for Outstanding Entry in African-American History
Sponsored by the Association for the Study of Connecticut History
Project: Conflict and Compromise: Civil Rights Act of 1964
**School:** Choate Rosemary Hall  
**Student:** Ryan Cho

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**Outstanding Entry Related to Connecticut Law – Senior Prize**  
Sponsored by the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society  
**Project:** The Smith Sisters  
**School:** New Britain High School  
**Students:** Victoria Farrell and Elizabeth Farrell

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**Outstanding Entry Related to Connecticut Law – Junior Prize**  
Sponsored by the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society  
**Project:** Amistad: Justice for Slavery  
**School:** Bristow Middle School  
**Students:** Aaliska Sapkota, Tina Chen, Anastasia Haubrich

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**Outstanding Entry in World War I History**  
Sponsored by Remembering World War I: Sharing History/Preserving Memories  
**Project:** From Sacrifice to Suffrage: Women’s Compromise During World War I  
**School:** Fairfield Woods Middle School  
**Student:** Lauren Ji

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**Outstanding Entry Related to Hartford History**  
Sponsored by Hartford History Center at Hartford Public Library  
**Project:** Hannah Bunce Watson and the Hartford Courant  
**School:** Sedgwick Middle School  
**Student:** Marlena Pegolo

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**Outstanding Entry Related to Slavery or Abolition – Senior Prize**  
Sponsored by the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance and Abolition  
**Project:** Conflict and Compromise of Reconstruction; the Freedmen’s Bureau and Compromise of 1877  
**School:** Staples High School  
**Students:** Benjamin Schussheim

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**Outstanding Entry Related to Slavery or Abolition – Junior Prize**  
Sponsored by the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance and Abolition
**Project: Benjamin Franklin, An Early Abolitionist**  
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School  
Student: Sydney Mangham and Elle Lansing

**Outstanding Entry in Maritime History**  
Sponsored by the National Maritime Historical Society  
**Project: The Amistad Case**  
School: Irving Robbins Middle School  
Student: Reid McMillan, Andy Dong, and Justin Abraham

**Outstanding Entry Related to Medical History**  
Sponsored by the Connecticut State Medical Society  
**Project: The Impact of Women in Medicine**  
School: Hill Regional Career High School  
Students: Sreya Nagumalla

**Outstanding Entry in Early American History (up to 1812)**  
Sponsored by Connecticut Sons of the American Revolution  
**Project: Fake News: Paul Revere’s Etching of the Boston Massacre**  
School: Enfield Montessori School  
Students: Annabel Probolus

**Outstanding Entry in Women’s History – Senior Prize**  
Sponsored by the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center  
**Project: Out of the Kitchen and Into the Polls: The Revolution for Women’s Suffrage**  
School: Farmington High School  
Student: Esther Ye, Alyssa Jackie, and Aika Aussicker

**Outstanding Entry in Women’s History – Junior Prize**  
Sponsored by the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center  
**Project: The Untold Story of the Ravensbruck Rabbits**  
School: The Unquowa School  
Student: Brandon Faunce and Sophia Kessler

**Outstanding Entry in Aerospace or Technological History**  
Sponsored by New England Air Museum  
**Project: The Space Race: Conflict and Compromise**
Outstanding Entry Related to a Connecticut Woman
Sponsored by the Connecticut Women’s Hall of Fame
Project: A Woman Rebels: Two Great Hepburns
School: Wilton High School
Student: Julia Sexton and Sadie Kinnersley

Outstanding Entry that Best Incorporates Jewish History, Heritage, and/or a Jewish Personality
Sponsored by the Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County
Project: Anne Frank: Hiding for the Last Time
School: Madina Academy
Student: Haneen Abuteen, Madina Saleh

Outstanding Entry that Best Incorporates Christian History, Heritage, and/or a Christian Personality
Sponsored by the Master’s School
Project: Galileo: The Contention Between Astronomy and Religion
School: Ellington High School
Student: Raegan Olson, Matt Wrona, Jon Greika

Outstanding Entry in the Arts
Sponsored by the Wadsworth Athenaeum
Project: A Denied Voice: Muraski Shikbu Compromise
School: Sedgwick Middle School
Student: Avery Bloom

George Washington Leadership in History Prize
Sponsored by the Washington Library at George Washington's Mount Vernon
Project: Birth of an Alliance: George Washington and Marquis de Lafayette
School: Mansfield Middle School
Students: Katarina Boskovic, Emma Fitzgerald

Outstanding Entry in Connecticut History between 1900-1950
Sponsored by ConnecticutHistory.org, a program of Connecticut Humanities
Project: Emily Dunning Barringer: The First Female Ambulance Surgeon
School: Torrington High School
Student: Elizabeth Kot
Outstanding Entry for Use of Materials and/or Collections Held in a Connecticut Archives, Museum, or Historical Society tied to a Connecticut Historic Site
Sponsored by the Connecticut League of History Organizations
Project: The Hartford Convention
School: Nathan Hale-Ray Middle School
Student: Julia Freeman and Sally Riley

Bruce Stave Prize for Oral History
Sponsored by Connecticut Coalition for History
Project: Korean War: A Bitter Conflict and the Tension that Arose
School: Bedford Middle School
Student: Evan Trock

Outstanding Entry for Preserved Building, Landscape, or Archeological Site
Sponsored by CT State Historic Preservation Office
Project: The Triangle Factory Fire: A Devastating Conflict that Sparked Long-Lasting Compromise
School: Conard High School
Student: Ryan Lafferty

Outstanding Entry in Irish or Irish American History
Sponsored by Ireland's Great Hunger Museum
Project: New York City Draft Riots of 1863: A Race of Races
School: Norwich Technical High School
Student: Steven Allaby, Erin McBride, Halle Baron, and Chloe Guzman