Connecticut History Day
2023 Hartford Regional Contest Results

Junior Division

Category: Junior Papers
First Place: How Mary Jackson, Dorothy Vaughn, Kathrine Johnson changed America with new ways of math despite their restrictions on being African Americans.
School: Northeast Middle School
Students: Samuel Casarola

Second Place: Expanding American Pens: Joan Didion on American Politics and California
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Martina Bloch

Third Place: Genius: How Noah Webster Changed the American Psyche Forever
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Kostas Rakevicius

Category: Junior Group Documentary
First Place: Death to the Dictator: the Story of Young Reformists Against Theocratic Iranian Ideas
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Isha Shenoy and Kriti Jaladurgam

Second Place: Camera to Court: How Lewis Hine Used Picture Power for Social Reform
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Lauren Rock and Irene Cho

Third Place: Breaking Frontiers: A New Type of Boy Scouts
School: Northeast Middle School
Students: Caleb Seeger and Matthew D’Esopo
Category: Junior Individual Documentary

First Place: Colonial Heroes? How the Pequot War Altered our Perception of American History
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Ferran Ruiz

Second Place: The Trial of Levi Weeks: The History-Changing Event That Put America’s Legal System to the Test While Stirring Lasting Controversy Throughout the Public
School: Bristow Middle School
Students: Ari Shukla

Third Place: Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC)
School: Sedgwick Middle School
Students: Luke Kalke

Category: Junior Group Exhibit

First Place: Women who worked on the Manhattan Project: How did women help create the two bombs that ended WWII?
School: Bristow Middle School
Students: Nina Francone and Payton Bailey

Second Place: Steve Jobs
School: Chippens Hill Middle School
Students: Isabella Cutter, Sophia Lo, and Amber Rhoades

Third Place: The 1911 Triangle Factory Fire
School: Bristol Arts and Innovation Magnet School
Students: Leila Plourde, Olivia Huntley, and Owen Brault

Category: Junior Individual Exhibit

First Place: Riot Grrrl: The Revolution that Changed Feminism in the Punk Scene Forever
School: Bristow Middle School
Students: Kei Caudle
Second Place: Margaret Chung: A First in the Medical Field  
School: Sedgwick Middle School  
Students: Isabella Nguyen

Third Place: Margaret Chung: Changing Medicine  
School: West Bristol School  
Students: Greta Hennessey

Category: Junior Individual Performance  
First Place: Stonewall Riots  
School: Bristol Arts and Innovation Magnet School  
Students: Lucas Hubbell-Major

Second Place: A Sticky Situation! Uh Oh! (A Performance About The Great Molasses Flood of 1919)  
School: Bristol Arts and Innovation Magnet School  
Students: Abigail Soucy

Third Place: First 3-Dimensional Video Game (Battlezone)  
School: Bristol Arts and Innovation Magnet School  
Students: Joey Montgomery

Category: Junior Group Website  
First Place: Crossing frontiers with Texas Western Basketball  
School: Chippens Hill Middle School  
Students: Andrew Viens and Camden Whitlock

Second Place: Puma 560  
School: Northeast Middle School  
Students: Katelyn Parker, Sierra Joy, and Helen Nguyen

Third Place: Ferruccio Lamborghini  
School: Greene-Hills School  
Students: Gabriel Tuninsky and Aiden Geel
Category: Junior Individual Website

First Place: The Pequot Defeat: Shifting the Social Landscape of Colonial Connecticut
School: Irving A. Robbins Middle School
Students: Alexandra Czyz

Second Place: Jews on the American Frontier: How They Helped Expand the West and the Challenges They Faced
School: King Philip Middle School
Students: Amaia Potashner

Third Place: York: The Enslaved Explorer
School: ACES @ Chase Middle School
Students: Kayden Davis
Senior Division

Category: Senior Papers
School: Yang Homeschool
Students: Abigail Yang

Category: Senior Individual Documentary
First Place: Operation Sunshine: How Crossing the Polar Frontier Allowed America to Step Out from Sputnik’s Shadow
School: Conard High School
Students: Claire Flynn

Second Place: Odyssey 2023
School: Pathways Academy of Technology and Design
Students: Nikodem Bielecki

Category: Senior Group Exhibit
First Place: The Impact of the British Empire in South Asia
School: Pathways Academy of Technology and Design
Students: Margaret Rebeiro and Manyata Pathania

Category: Senior Individual Website
First Place: New Orbits: How Valentina Tereshkova Propelled Progress on Two Fronts
School: Wilbur Cross High School
Students: Ila Sundstrom

Second Place: “Out of the kitchen and into the White House!” The creation of the Food and Drug Administration
School: Pathways Academy of Technology and Design
Students: Serenity Geddies