Connecticut History Day
2023 Torrington Regional Contest Results

Junior Division

Category: Junior Papers
**First Place: A Window to the World: How Television Revolutionized Communication**
School: Talcott Mountain Academy
Students: Oliver Lind

Category: Junior Group Documentary
**First Place: Data Develops: Early Computers and Their Impact**
School: Har-Bur Middle School
Students: Henry Lincoln and Owen Sacharko

**Second Place: Lafayette and The Revolution**
School: Torrington Middle School
Students: Diego Flores and Gaige Gawrych

Category: Junior Individual Documentary
**First Place: Hedy Lamarr: The Brains Behind The Beauty That Revolutionized Frequency Cybernetics, Creating The Basis for Most Modern Day Technologies**
School: Talcott Mountain Academy
Students: Rhea Doshi

**Second Place: How George Westinghouse pushed the frontier of agriculture**
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Sal Pilato

**Third Place: Lewis and Clark exploring the new frontier with Sacagawea**
School: Torrington Middle School
Students: Nicol Perez
Category: Junior Group Exhibit
First Place: Gustave Whitehead First in Flight
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Adam Guertin, Caden Amalfitano, Finn Cline, and John Wiblishauser

Second Place: The Wright Brothers: Pioneers of Aviation
School: Har-Bur Middle School
Students: Levi Hotchkiss and Rocco Masi

Third Place: Segregated Times in NASA
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Sheyla Velasquez and Yasmin Santos

Category: Junior Individual Exhibit
First Place: The Revolution of Transportation
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Dylan Monge

Second Place: King Philip’s War
School: Torrington Middle School
Students: Edwin Madrid

Category: Junior Group Website
First Place: The Creation of the Internet
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Alexander Barry and Joseph Nigro

Second Place: ASPCA: The Voice Of The Animals
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Eleni Amperidis, Imani Abdalla, and Devna Nehal Arun Pradeep

Third Place: NATO and the Borders of Safety
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Carlos Espana and Michael Collins
Category: Junior Individual Website

**First Place: The Black Panther Party: The Fight For Civil Rights**
School: Westside Middle School Academy
Students: Ava Burke

**Second Place: Harriet Tubman and The Underground Railroad**
School: Torrington Middle School
Students: McKenzie Provost
Category: Senior Papers
First Place: Analysis of Mao Zedong’s Political Conviction, the Formation of International United Front, and the Improvement in Sino-US Relations
School: The Hotchkiss School
Students: Dingyi Qi

Second Place: Social Contract Theories That Could Make or Break a Revolution
School: Brunswick School
Students: McKenna Brewer

Third Place: Egotism Equals Profit: Adam Smith’s Economic Frontier, The Wealth of Nations
School: Brunswick School
Students: Henry Graham

Category: Senior Group Documentary
First Place: The Development of One of Mankind’s Greatest, but Deadliest Creations: the Manhattan Project
School: Brunswick School
Students: Sean Ryan and Oliver Leonard

Second Place: Apollo 11
School: Brunswick School
Students: Jack Scafidi and Jack O’Connor

Third Place: Race and cinema video essay
School: Brunswick School
Students: DJ Cook and Teddy Sandler

Category: Senior Individual Documentary
First Place: African American Directors: A New Frontier in Film
School: Brunswick School
Students: Will Schmitz
Category: Senior Group Exhibit
First Place: Apollo 11
School: Torrington High School
Students: Sophie Beauregard, Evelyn Flores-Hernandez, and Amy To

Second Place: Women’s Rights Movement
School: Brunswick School
Students: Grace Fazzinga and Olivia Martucci

Third Place: “Denied Entry”
School: Torrington High School
Students: Olivia Andrade, Makayla Rodriguez, and Keila Santos

Category: Senior Individual Exhibit
First Place: Establishing New Frontiers: The 1964 Land Reform, Idle Lands, and Settlement Act of Ecuador
School: Torrington High School
Students: Evelyn Orellana

Second Place: Eli Todd: Treating and Curing Mental Illness
School: Torrington High School
Students: Brendan Keskula

Third Place: Alexander Hamilton and the Federalist Papers
School: Torrington High School
Students: Mila Rose

Category: Senior Group Performance
First Place: The Bombe
School: Brunswick School
Students: Bekah Givan and Nadia Kowalski

Second Place: Salem’s Secrets
School: Brunswick School
Students: Eva Solano and Alexandra Zummo
Category: Senior Group Website
**First Place: Renaissance Writers: Developing a Black Voice in Post-Civil War Harlem**
School: Danbury High School
Students: Pearl Chia and Lila Schlissel

Category: Senior Individual Website
**First Place: Televised debates, Nixon v. Kennedy**
School: Brunswick School
Students: Nina Lux

**Second Place: Laika: The First Dog in Space**
School: Torrington High School
Students: Ace VonRichthofen