







On behalf of the entire History Day staff - THANK YOU to all of Team Minnesota for making National History Day 2018 so awesome (town!) this year. All participants, parents, families, and teachers are truly who bring our team together in such a fundamental way. It was amazing to see this group of students get to know each other and support one another in all things History Day. We hope that you had as memorable of an experience as we did - you are all winners to us! We hope to see you participating next year! Have a fun (city!) summer!



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NIGHTLY MEETINGS

















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AWARDS CEREMONY

























These middle schoolers brought the fire to Nationals this year! These hard working young scholars brought home three out of Minnesota's four gold medals, one bronze, a finalist, and a special prize - wowza! The judges were impressed with their wide range of topics from Roe v. Wade, to the Love Canal, to the Salt March. The juniors also stretched across the state, from as far south as Fairmont and as far north as Duluth. There was no shortage of knowledge from these students. We can't say enough how blown away we were with this batch of kids. Get out your sunglasses - the future is looking bright for these young historians!

Chase Baumgarten Mairin Blank Clark Decaire Tricia Dennis









Meadow Eckman Sofia Fish Kajsa Hellmark Ella Hoch Robinson









Claire Isakson Lizzy Kile Margaret Krueger Anna Lovat









Gwen McMahon Colin McShane Anna Olivarez Lauren Oster









JUNIERS

Umay Esin Pankratz Erika Peterson Lucy Phelan Grace Philippon









Corrin Rohlf Azalea Rohr Zander Sachs Felicia Schall









Simona Simha Lily Steuber Aeriana Wright























Not to be outdone by their Junior Division counterparts, the Senior Division students came out swinging. Six of these projects made it to Final Round - taking away one of each medal: a gold, silver, and bronze. Projects on topics such as the Boundary Waters, the Occupation of Alcatraz, and Dred Scott blew us out of the water with their research. The Senior delegation also bonded together like glue and helped lead the Minnesota team like the best of them. So much so that we're okay with saying, "yeah, they're with us!" Congrats to all of the Senior Division students; get out your telescopes and reach for the stars!

Preston Alleman Muriel Ambrus Sydney Antczak Isabel Basurto Poferl









Isaiah Bischoff Brady Bluhm Zoe Campion Elsa Carlson









Isabelle Carlson Isaac Collins Regan Duffy Soren Eversoll









Camryn Franke Vianca Grassi Cueto Neil Grube









Kathleen Grube Cosette Isakson Zichen Jiang Isabella Krueger









KayLynn Kuehn Sophia Marret Annika Mechelke Angelica Nelson









Katie Nguyen Christine Ohenzuwa Sam Otten Jalena Person









Amari Piepkorn Anindita Rajamani Ellie Schuett Steven Schutz









Michael Schwantes Geena Zebrasky







support squad

We're putting Taylor Swift to shame over here with our #squadgoals. You might get sick of us saying it, but we're going to keep saying it anyways: History Day would NOT be possible without the support from parents, teachers, mentors, and the community. From giving rides to libraries, proofreading paragraphs, late-night performance rehearsals, multiple documentary screenings, and giving up dining room tables for exhibits, these people not only helped with your project in a physical sense, but also showed emotional support. Now, raise those hands up, point them towards your support network, and give them a whopping two thumbs up!





Who's your favorite History Day staff? (Don't answer that. We feel pretty confident about the answer but are a little unsure and don't really want confirmation one way or the other.)

Sarah Aschbrenner Sam Glansman Actiqn Jackson Kevin Maijala





Sammi Jo Papas Brittany Pinales Gabe Reese David Safranski







Chris Scott Hayley Severson Sam Skinner Torrie White













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Nervous about getting up on a stage and reciting a ten minute performance? Not these kids! All of our Drama Club members have so much confidence, poise, creativity, and talent that getting in front of those judges was easy peasy lemon squeezy. Our 2018 performance crew spoke up about Upton Sinclair, Dred Scott, Fannie Lou Hamer, Orphan Trains, Lois v. Jensen, West Side Story, and Boylan v. The New York Times - quite the range! These performers kept us on the edge of our seat to the point of not wanting to blink in case we missed something. These cool cats have so many opportunities ahead, as historians and performers. Way to go, Drama Club!





Not only do members of our A/V Club have to write a script after doing a ton of research, they also have to deal with....*technology*. These students' fingers scurried across the keyboard as they showed the computer who is boss and ended up with documentaries that would rival any Ken Burns series. We watched amazing cinematic masterpieces on the Boundary Waters, Plessy v. Ferguson, the Rwandan Genocide, the Love Canal, Roe v. Wade, the Cuban Missile Crisis, Rachel Carson, and Fritz Haber - far out! Congrats to all of our future documentarians!





The Shop Class kids challenged themselves by sticking to a strict word count and learned to glue things in the Maryland heat like the best of them, but these Exhibit students really earned our respect for hauling their boards like champs - those things are heavy! We saw some incredible masterpieces this year on subjects like the Salt March, Tinker v. Des Moines (Mary Beth Tinker came to see it, to boot!), the Central Park Five, Tuskegee Syphilis Study, Dolores Huerta, the US Government vs. Reserve Mining Co., AIM Occupation of Alcatraz, and the Great Chicago Fire Insurance Policies. Congrats you crafty, construction kids!





















website squad

Our website squad breathed a sigh of relief that they didn't have to transport a board, props, worry about losing a documentary, or paper cuts. These website techies played it so cool that cucumbers would be jealous. They really impressed the judges with their projects on Stem Cell Research, Rivera's Man at the Crossroads, Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, MN Starvation Study, Edo Art, the Korean War, the WAAC Compromise, and the Compromise of 1790 - what a spread! Three of our seven medals came from this category, too - way to let that hard work pay off!



young writers workshop

Wowza! This year's Paper writers took out their quills and made some magic happen with their final products - especially with an early deadline! We saw a wide range of topics on the Wilderness Act, AIDS in San Francisco, the Sherman Plan, and Post War Unwed Motherhood that really took the judges by surprise in how much knowledge these students had. Better work on getting their autographs now, before you're waiting in line at your local Barnes and Noble in the future! Congrats to all of our paper kids!



national finalists



4th Place Zoe Campion, Elsa Carlson Senior Group Documentary Plessy v. Ferguson - A Failed Compromise: "Separate but Equal"



6th Place Sydney Antczak, KayLynn Kuehn Senior Group Website *Rivera's Man at the Crossroads*



7th Place Gwen McMahon, Erika Peterson Junior Group Documentary A Failure to Protect: UN Intervention and the Rwandan Genocide



9th Place Muriel Ambrus, Sophia Marret Senior Group Exhibit *The Central Park Five*



Outstanding State Entries Zoe Campion, Elsa Carlson - Senior Group Documentary Gwen McMahon, Erika Peterson - Junior Group Documentary

national award winners



1st Place Kathleen Grube Senior Individual Exhibit The Tuskegee Syphilis Study: How Compromised Health Created an Ethical Conflict



1st Place Chase Baumgarten, Colin McShane Junior Group Exhibit The US Government vs. the Reserve Mining Company: A Compromise of Environment and Industry



1st Place Sofia Fish, Azalea Rohr Junior Group Website "Great Lakes, Great Legacy?": The Compromise of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement



2nd Place Katie Nguyen, Anindita Rajamani Senior Group Website Women in War: The Battle for the Inclusion of American Women in the Army and the WAAC Compromise



3rd Place Kajsa Hellmark Junior Individual Exhibit *Tinker v. Des Moines*



George Washington Leader in History Special Prize Lucy Phelan Junior Paper A Great Compromise: The Sherman Plan Saves the Constitutional Convention of 1787



1st Place Ella Hoch Robinson Junior Individual Website A Duty to Starve: The Minnesota Starvation Experiment



3rd Place Soren Eversoll Senior Individual Performance The Jungle: Upton Sinclair's Conflicts and Compromises with Industrial America



Scholarship to the National History Academy Kathleen Grube Senior Individual Exhibit The Tuskegee Syphilis Study: How Compromised Health Created an Ethical Conflict

