



2020 Minnesota Virtual State Contest **RESULTS**

The Minnesota Virtual State Contest took place the week of April 27, with awards on Sunday, May 3, 2020. Entries were submitted digitally and judged remotely by judges through First- and Final-Rounds of competition. Judges identified the top five entries in each category/division as well as Honorable Mention.

- National Qualifiers: Entries ranking 1st and 2nd in each category/division are National Qualifiers and eligible to compete in the Virtual National Contest.
- **3rd-5th Place:** Entries in 3rd, 4th, and 5th place are recognized as Medalists. If a National Qualifier entry is unable to participate in the National Contest, the opportunity will be offered to the medalist entries, in rank order.
- **Honorable Mentions**: All entries that advanced to the Final-Round of competition but did not rank 1st-5th are recognized as Honorable Mention. Honorable Mention entries are not ranked and are alphabetical by school name.

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Junior Paper

Rank	Title	Student	School
Ist Place National Qualifier	Valentina Tereshkova: Breaking the Gender Barrier in Space	Karina Hydrie	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	Weeks vs. Southern Bell: Breaking Discriminatory Employment Barriers for Women in the Workforce	Julianna Velgersdyk	Avail Academy, Edina
3rd Place	Lilian Bader: Crossing the Line for the Future	Pria Stauning	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
4th Place	Breaking Gender Barriers in the Military Through the Women's Armed Forces Integration Act	Clare Danz	Avail Academy, Edina
5th Place	The Taussig Blalock: An Influential Breakthrough in Medical History	Norah Peacock	Kenwood Trail Middle School, Lakeville
Honorable Mention	The Oslo Accords: Breaking the Seemingly Unbreakable barrier of Israeli and Palestinian animosity	Yuval Klein	Anthony Middle School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	The Double Helix: How One Woman Persevered Through Barriers of Sexism to Make the Greatest	Margot Trout	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul

	Genetic Discovery of the Twentieth Century		
Honorable Mention	WASP: Flying Through Barriers	Sadie Peterson	Highland Catholic, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	The Green Revolution: Breaking the Yield Barrier	Anders Ahlberg	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Elizabeth Blackwell: The Precedent For Women As Doctors	Zara Bertram	Oak Grove Middle, Bloomington
Honorable Mention	The Lady with the Lamp: Lighting the Way for Modern Nursing	Jessie Pham	Olson Middle, Bloomington
Honorable Mention	The Law of Unintended Consequences: Ronald Reagan's War on Drugs	Evelyn Stockinger	Olson Middle, Bloomington

Senior Paper

Rank	Title	Student	School
1st Place National Qualifier	Breaking Barriers in Public Health: John Snow and the 1854 London Cholera Epidemic	Erin Coleman	East High School, Duluth
2nd Place National Qualifier	Too Strong For a Woman: How Bernice Sandler Created Title IX to Break Barriers for Female Faculty in Higher Education	Natalie Miller	East High School, Duluth
3rd Place	Alan Turing: Breaking Barriers in Modern Computing and Artificial Intelligence	Eleanor Show	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
4th Place	Changing Culture: The History of Nintendo	Aidan Curran	South Senior High, Minneapolis
5th Place	The Aftermath of Minnesota's Eugenics Movement: Breaking the Barriers of the Public's Perception of Sterilizations and Mental Health	Mackenna Kaufer	Cyber Village Academy, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Korematsu v. United States: Re-establishing Guaranteed Constitutional Rights for Minority Groups in America	Salma Awale	Al-Amal School, Fridley
Honorable Mention	How Harvey Milk Broke Barriers and Opened Doors	Emma Coty	Cretin-Derham Hall, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Poetics of Revolution: Pablo Neruda's Verses Against Neoliberalism in Latin America	Chloe Anderson	Cretin-Derham Hall, St. Paul

Honorable Mention	Karl Heinrich Ulrichs; Breaking Barriers in LGBT+ Rights	Sylvia Hegeman	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Wilderness Has No Price: Creating a Barrier of Protection for the Boundary Waters	Eva Hora	North Lakes Academy Upper School, Forest Lake
Honorable Mention	Breaking Historical, Political, and Cultural Barriers; The Diné Nation's Resistance to Relocation	Nixie Trierweiler	South Senior High, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Electroconvulsive Therapy: Breaking Barriers in Psychiatry and Lives of Those Affected by Mental Illness	Charlie Cullen	South Senior High, Minneapolis

Junior Individual Performance

Rank	Title	Student	School
1st Place National Qualifier	JoAnn Morgan	Noura Rezk	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
2nd Place National Qualifier	The Slave Narratives Project: Breaking the Barrier of Silence	Anwen Winter	Many Rivers Montessori, Duluth
3rd Place	1960 North Carolina Greensboro Sit-In	DeJuan Edwards	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
4th Place	Hattie: Breaking Barriers One Movie at a Time	Maame Ofori	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
5th Place	The Angel of the Battlefield: Clara Barton Breaks Barriers in Public Health Efforts	Linnea Pihl	Sanford Middle, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	From Barriers to Benefits, The Passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964	Braden Vis	Avail Academy, Edina
Honorable Mention	Irena Sendler and the Children of the Warsaw Ghetto	Macy Carroll	Avail Academy (Blaine K-8 Campus)
Honorable Mention	Ella Fitzgerald: Breaking Barriers With Music	Victor Scharpman	Byron Middle School
Honorable Mention	Ruby Bridges Breaking the Race Barrier in Education	Praise Oyekunle	Central Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	Tuskegee Airmen	Avery Allen	Murray Middle School. St. Paul
Honorable	Girl Scouts: Breaking Barriers	Greta Kittok	Murray Middle School, St. Paul

Mention			
Honorable Mention	Twisted Grace: Nancy Cruzan's Right to Die	Caleb Craig	Oltman Middle School, Woodbury
Honorable Mention	Children's March Birmingham	Sajor Jalloh	Salk Middle School, Elk River
Honorable Mention	Scopes Monkey Trial: Teaching the Theory of Evolution in the School	Bruno Toren	Twin Cities German Immersion Charter School. St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Breaking Barriers with the Battery Powered Pacemaker	Joseph Kuehn	Woodbury Middle School

Junior Group Performance

Rank	Title	Students	School
1st Place National Qualifier	The Xinhai Revolution: Breaking the Barrier of China's Dynastic Tradition	Daniel Jungwirth, Kumail Akram	Buffalo Community Middle
2nd Place National Qualifier	Almost Home: The Deportation, Liberation, and Naturalization of Displaced Jews After WWII	Amarah McGuire, Daniel Johnston, Kennedi Rohlf, Rylie Butler, Virginia Schutz	Christ's Household of Faith, St. Paul
3rd Place	The Black Panther Party	Ameris Cook, Cortez Thomas, Janyla Harris, MaryJane Myhre, Tyara Taylor	American Indian Magnet School, St. Paul
4th Place	Breaking Barriers Through The Development of Open Heart Surgery	Ariana Kimball, Aviva Fisher, Lucy Martinez-Port, Sydney McGrath	Anwatin Middle Com Spanish, Minneapolis
5th Place	Joan Baez: Combining Profession with Passion	Savannah Larson, Zoey Myers	Chaska Middle School West
Honorable Mention	Jenson v. Eveleth Taconite Co.: Breaking Barriers Against Sexual Harassment	Isabel Sillers, Maren Gossard	Anwatin Middle Com Spanish, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	White Rose Resistance: Leaflets and Legends	Harper Lostetter, Lucy Anderson	Buffalo Community Middle
Honorable Mention	The 442nd Regimental Combat Team	Kailani Schroeder, Kyla Gordon	Byron Middle School
Honorable Mention	The Buckeye Bullet Breaks Barriers	Alexa Moser, Baylee Haines, Samantha Johnson	Central Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	The Blue Eyed Brown Eyed Exercise	Charlotte Feller, Kennedy Peterson	Good Shepherd School, Golden Valley

Honorable Mention	Hazelden Breaks Barriers Using the Minnesota Model	Angeliki Ruddy, Ellery Tennison	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Flappers	Elinor McAlpine, Kate Houle, Marge Moe	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Harvey Milk: The Pioneer of Gay Rights	Abby Huselid, Elizabeth Kubicka	Salk Middle School, Elk River
Honorable Mention	Loving v. Virginia	Libby Butters, Lilah Davis, Lillian Jenkins, Natalie Frazier	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	Her Story Not HIStory	Chloe Maki, Kara Spartz, Rosemary Paulson	Winona Middle

Senior Individual Performance

Rank	Title	Student	School
1st Place National Qualifier	Night Witches: Female Pilots Gliding Over Military Barriers	Aislinn Johnston	Christ's Household of Faith, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	The Troubling Road to Resolution: The Irish Peace Process	Ephraim Erjavec	Avalon School, St. Paul
3rd Place	Jazz Diplomacy: An Instrumental Breakthrough	Kevin Torstenson	Central Senior High, St. Paul
4th Place	A Nurses Duty; the First Female Prisoners of War	Taylor Boone	Homeschool-Partnership Co-op, Elk River
5th Place	Juliette Gordon Low: Leading the Girl Scouts in Breaking Gender Stereotypes	Amanda Martinez	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	The artistic sister of the Black Power Movement: Black Art, we are elegant heartbeats of the sun's flame	Zaraia Fabunmi	South Senior High, Minneapolis

Senior Group Performance

Rank	Title	Students	School
1st Place National Qualifier	The South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission: Breaking Barriers through Forgiveness	Helena Squires Mosher, Mae Wrigley, Sam Kellar-Long	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	Breaking Down Barriers: Gillette Specialty Healthcare	Blessing Griswold, Judah Griswold, Mercy Griswold	Homeschool-Creekside Christian, Elk River
3rd Place	Alcoholics Anonymous: Breaking the Cycle for Sobriety	Ashtyn Okerstrom, Avalon Bluhm, Dakota Bluhm, Steven Schutz, Tanner Okerstrom	Christ's Household of Faith, St. Paul
4th Place	Allan Spear: The Man Who Broke the Political Barrier in the LGBT community	Aidan McGill, Hwaejin Chung, Kevin Murphy	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights
5th Place	The Bitter Crop Remains	Joe Mason III, Joshua Cole, Leila Ambrus, Lourdes Lambert	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Breaking Social and Gender Barriers During WWII	Guillemette Schroepfer, Rachel Dickinson	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Radium Girls	Elisabeth MacChesney, Isabella Fontaine	Mahtomedi Senior High
Honorable Mention	Progressive Rock	Caleb Smit, Nicholas Horst, Thomas Sobaski	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights

Junior Individual Documentary

Rank	Title	Student	School
1st Place National Qualifier	Infant Incubators: The Carnival Sideshow That Saved Lives	Sasha Allen	Central Middle School, Eden Prairie
2nd Place National Qualifier	The PATCO Strike of 1981	Zach Bollman	Murray Middle School. St. Paul
3rd Place	Restoring Natural Barriers: The Creation of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness	Ronny Hustvedt	Salk Middle School, Elk River
4th Place	Elizabeth Blackwell: Changing the Face of Medicine	Carys Hardy	Seward Elementary, Minneapolis
5th Place	Max Fleischer's Quiet Legacy	Silas Guntzel	Friends School Of Minnesota, St. Paul

Honorable Mention	Jim Thorpe: Native American Hero	Justin Kroeze	Avail Academy (Blaine K-8 Campus)
Honorable Mention	The White Rose: The Student-Led Resistance to Hitler	Lisa Thayil	Central Middle School, Eden Prairie
Honorable Mention	Little Rock Nine: Breaking Through Segregation	Amanda Siemienas	Chaska Middle School West
Honorable Mention	Changes of Rondo	Arunata Schulz	Friends School Of Minnesota, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Operation Ivy: Breaking Scientific and Humanitarian Barriers	Elise Dunne	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Breaking Cultural Barriers: The American Peace Corps	Siri Pattison	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	The Fall of the Berlin Wall	Melody Kpahn	Salk Middle School, Elk River
Honorable Mention	"What do you do with the mad": Mister Rogers Breaks Television Barriers	Vivian Peters	Sanford Middle, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Orphan Trains	Thea Bothun	Schaeffer Academy, Rochester
Honorable Mention	Changing Lives, Defying Expectations: How Lena Olive Smith Broke Barriers in Minnesota	Rebecca Kranz	Scott Highlands Middle, Apple Valley
Honorable Mention	Yosemite National Park	Max MapelLentz	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights
Honorable Mention	Rachel Carson Silent Spring	Evangeline Wilbur	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	Jonas Salk and the Polio Vaccine: Breaking Barriers to Save Lives	Avinash Bandi	Wayzata West Middle

Junior Group Documentary

Rank	Title	Students	School
Ist Place National Qualifier	Berkeley Strikes Back: The Third World Liberation Front	Tess Campion, Willa Campion	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	ACT UP: The Fight To End AIDS	Annika Culver, Greta Seppanen	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
3rd Place	Ellen DeGeneres: Breaking Barriers in Hollywood and the American Public	Anna Lovat, Maddy Schilling	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
4th Place	Duke Ellington and Music with Social Significance	Jin Hammond, Kyle O'Connor, Will Wentink	Chaska Middle School West
5th Place	Lena O. Smith and Her Fight to Desegregate Housing in Minneapolis	Elsie Herber, Eve Gardner	Justice Page Middle School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Katherine Johnson: Breaking the Racial and Gender Barriers	Jaclyn Brouwer, Taylor Miedema	Avail Academy, Edina
Honorable Mention	Texas Western: Breaking the Racial Barrier for NCAA Basketball	Ryan Gordon, Will Brian	Byron Middle School
Honorable Mention	Joan of Arc: The Peasant Girl who Shaped a Nation	Kate Regan, Luna Scorzelli	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Katherine Johnson: A Computer Who Helped Break Barriers	Amelie Hodge, Paige Peters	Central Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	Breaking Gender Barriers in Medical History: A Documentary of Elizabeth Blackwell	Delaney Pyle, Natalie Rowe	Central Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	The MMR Vaccine	Callie McCoskey, Emily Perez	Chaska Middle School East
Honorable Mention	Wheelchairs and War	Elias Netzel, Ian Brost	Homeschool-Brost, Rochester
Honorable Mention	The Children's March of 1963	Lia Rulf, Sylvie Mague	Justice Page Middle School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Helen Keller and the American Foundation for the Blind	Hannah Willemsen, Kirsten Stasney	Many Rivers Montessori, Duluth
Honorable Mention	Valentina Tereshkova	Claire Kimman, Karina Welle	Mary of Lourdes Elem/Middle School, Little Falls

Honorable Mention	The Voyager Mission	Gabriel Gerlach, Robert Dresen, Tristyn Vang	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	"Unbought and Unbossed" : The Story of Shirley Chisholm	Jasmine DuHadway, Yasmine Alvarez	Twin Oaks Middle School, Prior Lake
Honorable Mention	The Wright Brothers' First Flight: The Event that Grew Wings for Humankind	Everett Nguyen, Jason Nichols	Wayzata East Middle

Senior Individual Documentary

Rank	Title	Student	School
Ist Place National Qualifier	The Vietnam War As Seen On TV	Isabella Graziani	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	Penumbra Theatre: Presenting African American Narratives through Performance	Iris Carroll	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
3rd Place	Patsy Mink: Breaking Down Her Barriers for Others	Alysa Monteagudo	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
4th Place	Sally Ride: Propelling American Spaceflight, Conquering Prejudices, and Empowering Women	Megan Wenner	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
5th Place	The First Madam Secretary: Frances Perkins and Her Appointment to the U.S. Cabinet	Zoe Roettger	Mahtomedi Senior High
Honorable Mention	Brown vs. Board of Education	Daauud Mohamed	Al-Amal School, Fridley
Honorable Mention	The Hmong Veterans Naturalization Act of 2000	Piper Kline	Avalon School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Americana in Light and Shadows: The Empathic Lens of Dorothea Lange	Maya Atherly-Larsen	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Fela Kuti and Afrobeats: The Weapon of the Voiceless Masses in Africa	Bolu Ilelaboye	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	"No Musts and Mustn'ts in Freedom": The Struggle for Equal Rights in Iran	Esme Eubanks	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapoils
Honorable Mention	Liberia: The Second Republic	Kathleen Mason	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable	Camp Rabideau	Micah Bernard	EdVisions Off-Campus School

Mention			
Honorable Mention	Shut It Down! The Battle for Ethnic Rights!	Elizabeth Yang	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Out of this World Imagery: How Avatar Broke the Barrier of Emotion in Computer Generated Movies	Luke Martineau	Homeschool-Partnership Co-op, Elk River
Honorable Mention	261	Grace Moeller	Lake Crystal-Wellcome Memorial Secondary, Lake Crystal
Honorable Mention	The ADA: Breaking Discriminatory and Societal Barriers for the Disabled	Sruthi Subramanian	Mounds View Senior High, Arden Hills
Honorable Mention	Kennedy Overcoming the Odds: How John F. Kennedy Became President Despite Religious Prejudice	Alex Bursey	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights
Honorable Mention	A COMMON HERO: The Barrier Breaking Filmmaking Style of Frank Capra	Ethan Kalafatich	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights

Senior Group Documentary

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1st Place National Qualifier	"Unbought and Unbossed" Shirley Chisholm and the Breaking of Political Barriers	Elsa Carlson, Zoe Campion	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	The Doll Test: Identifying and Breaking Down Barriers To Racial Integration	Audrey Faricy, Sebastian Helgeson	Roseville Area Senior High
3rd Place	Erasing the Red Line in Education	Elijah Blaylark, Quinn Collins	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
4th Place	TORNADO: How the Sundance Film Festival Broke the Barrier between Director and Audience	Cy Walsh, Ethan Hiew	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights
5th Place	The Silk Road	Joy Zhou, Michael Wang	Cretin-Derham Hall, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Junko Tabei and The Climb that Broke Barriers	Amanda Wikstrom, Jessica Schmitt	Barnum Secondary
Honorable Mention	India: Overcoming Colonialism	Jake Williams, Joshua Dorion, Thomas Ramsey	Chanhassen High School
Honorable	Breaking the Color Barrier to Higher Education: The Establishment of the First HBCU	Coral Crutchfield, Vivian Bui	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul

Mention			
Honorable Mention	The Nine Who Rocked the World: How the Little Rock Nine Broke the Barrier of School Segregation	Emma Holey, Madelyn Ploof	Mary of Lourdes Elem/Middle School, Little Falls
Honorable Mention	The Publishing of The Pentagon Papers	Frankie Buettner, Madigan Lodahl	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	"More than a Magazine, a Movement": How Ms. Broke Barriers for Women's Liberation	Erin Grube, Neil Grube	Roosevelt Senior High, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Breaking the Enigma	Aidan Kluth, Peter Wolfe	Schaeffer Academy, Rochester
Honorable Mention	D-Day: Breaking Barriers at Normandy	Jack Martin, Patrick Minkel	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights
Honorable Mention	The "Day of Infamy": Breaking Isolationism in America	Aidan Mir, Wil Applebaum	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights
Honorable Mention	Breaking the Stone Wall: Overcoming the Barrier to Queer Visibility	Avery Timmerman, Hla May Htoo, Nay Paw	Washington Tech Secondary Magnet, St. Paul

Junior Individual Website

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1st Place National Qualifier	Give Us Bread But Give Us Roses! The Lawrence Textile Strike of 1912	Emily Strahan	Oak Grove Middle, Bloomington
2nd Place National Qualifier	Oyama v. California: Confronting Alien Land Laws	Thanhtruc Mai	Columbia Academy, Columbia Heights
3rd Place	Community vs. Commuters: Breaking Barriers For Whom?	Anavie Bernick	Sanford Middle, Minneapolis
4th Place	Takeover of Morrill Hall	Riya Stebleton	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
5th Place	The Emancipation Proclamation of Basketball: Texas Western's 1966 Basketball Season	Jaaron Konkel	Avail Academy, Edina
Honorable Mention	ONE inc. vs. Olesen breaking barriers in LGBTQ+ rights	Lily Wheeler	Buffalo Community Middle
Honorable Mention	A Voice for the Earth	Willow Hovland	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul

Honorable Mention	Uncovering Connections: The Groundbreaking Research of Jane Goodall	Maya Vossen-Nelson	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Breaking Ice: How the Trans-Antarctic Expedition Broke Barriers In History	William Poppleton	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	History of the Anatomy Acts: Resurrectionists to Body Donation	Lindsey Hanson	Central Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	The Greensboro Four: The Movement that Broke Barriers	Petra Middleton	Central Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	Breaking the sexist barrier: the voyage of the 'Maiden'	Phoebe Finlay	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	I'll Pass For Your Comrade	Gwen McRoberts	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Virginia Hall: Breaking Barriers in World War II	Noelle Akins	Nativity, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Valentina Tereshkova	Maria Solakhava	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	"One Giant Leap For Mankind"	Mina Dahl	Parkview Center School, Roseville
Honorable Mention	Elizabeth Blackwell: Breaking Barriers in Medical History	Evelyn Sagor	Parkview Center School, Roseville
Honorable Mention	Apollo 11To the Moon and Beyond	Kai Paulsen	Salk Middle School, Elk River
Honorable Mention	How the Other Half Changed	Siri Vossen	Sanford Middle, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Shaping the Streets of the World: Sesame Street	Elizabeth Niesen	St. Francis, Rochester
Honorable Mention	Navajo Code Talkers	Grant Pfarr	St. Mary's, Bird Island

Junior Group Website

	Students	School
he Four Pests Campaign: The Consequences of Breaking Ecological Barriers	Jack Randolph, Jackson Nguyen	Sanford Middle, Minneapolis
he "Unbought and Unbossed" Shirley Chisholm: Breaking Barriers for Minorities and Women	Lilly Smith, Sarah Ragoonanan	Folwell Arts Magnet, Minneapolis
Broken Promises, Protective Barriers: Minnesota v Hille Lacs	Alice Wagner-Hemstad, Kai Sackreiter	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
lan Turing: Breaking the Barrier Between Man and Iachine	Brenden Cooper, Henry Murray	Lake Nokomis Comm-Keewaydin Campus, Minneapolis
WWII Women in the Workforce: Breaking Barriers nd Sparking Equality	Adelaide Norton, Evelyn Nelson	Wayzata West Middle
he Breaking of a Racial Barrier in Endo v. US	Gianluca Cavalletti, Nathaniel Gilg, Truman Olcott	Anthony Middle School, Minneapolis
he Haitian Revolution: How one Revolution Broke ne Barriers of Slavery and Colonization	Finn Powers-Tiffin, Marquan Harper	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
melia Earhart: Reaching New Heights in History	Emily Brown, Lys d'Almeida	Central Middle, White Bear Lake
lorma McCorvey:The Unborn Shatter Legal Barriers nd Change America Forever	Aida Thiam, Cleo Jurkovich, Ella Masloski	Central Middle, White Bear Lake
Inder the Scalpel	Amuktha Pothamsetti, Nasra Jama	Central Middle School, Eden Prairie
lipped Wings: The WASP's Fight to Flight	Bea Carter, Gen Johnson	Columbia Academy, Columbia Heights
andra Day O'Connor: A Different Kind Of Justice	Alaina Schoepke, Eleanor Hajas	Delano Public Schools
exas Western 1965-66 Championship Season: Paving the Way to Collegiate Integration	Carter Van Beusekom, Grayson Poppler, Hayden Rue	Delano Public Schools
putnik 1: Breaking The Barrier of Earth's Final rontier	Juan Castenada Sotero, Peter Meyers	Lake Nokomis Comm-Keewaydin Campus, Minneapolis
Operation Babylift: Breaking Down the Barriers to a lew Life	Ava Bartsh, Maeve Johnston	Nativity, St. Paul
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Mention			
Honorable Mention	The Grimke Sisters	Alma Ratliff, Myla Hannan	New City Charter School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	The Transcontinental Railroad: Breaking the Barrier of Westward Expansion	Benjamin Wadzinski, Zhoujinyi Wen	Oak Grove Middle, Bloomington
Honorable Mention	The Bomb that Changed the World	Audrey Jensen, Emily Kwon	Oak Grove Middle, Bloomington
Honorable Mention	The Radical Barriers That Were Broken; The Highlander Folk School	Aleta Anderson, Tavin Roth	Ordean Middle School, Duluth
Honorable Mention	The "Limping Lady": WWII's Most Wanted	Jane Wachter, Sydney Baudin	Seward Elementary, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Ryan White: Fighting the Stigma of HIV and AIDS	Ananya Kumar, Annika Lilja	Wayzata West Middle

Senior Individual Website

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1st Place National Qualifier	Lewis Hine: Breaking the Barrier Between Reality and Perception of Child Labor	Lily Hennessee	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	The Rise of Katharine Graham	Elena Laskowski	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
3rd Place	Our Bodies, Ourselves: Breaking the Barriers Between Women and Their Bodies	Freya Ebbesen	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
4th Place	Sofonisba Anguissola: Breaking Gender Barriers in Renaissance Art	Ella Grim	Duluth Marshall School
5th Place	From Killer to Conquered: How the Polio Vaccine Broke Barriers in Medicine	Anna Olivarez	South Senior High, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Coya Knutson	Bryn Hansen	Cretin-Derham Hall, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Sputnik	Wyatte Nissen	Cretin-Derham Hall, St. Paul
Honorable	Santo Tomás Internment Camp: Self-Governance	Allicia Moeller	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis

Mention	and Survival		
Honorable Mention	Caryl Churchill: A Leader of the Feminist Movement in the Arts	Veronica Kostka	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	MK-Ultra	Piper Gage	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	"I Reject Your Reality": Breaking Barriers to Modern Surgical Practices Through Antiseptic Theory's Validation	Makayla Javers	Fairmont Jr./Sr. High School
Honorable Mention	Julia Child: The Revolution of America's Culinary Arts	Emily Johnson	Homeschool-Partnership Co-op, Elk River
Honorable Mention	John Doar: Breaking the Caste System in the South	Ronan Corley	Mankato West Senior High
Honorable Mention	Silent Spring: How One Woman Broke Silence and Spoke for Nature	Elli Kim	Mankato West Senior High
Honorable Mention	Catching Cowpox: How Edward Jenner Broke the Barrier of Widespread Disease with the Variola Vaccine	Anna Povolny	North Lakes Academy Upper School, Forest Lake
Honorable Mention	Pioneer Woman Physician: Martha Ripley Breaks Societal Barriers by Founding Maternity Hospital	Clara Getchell	North Lakes Academy Upper School, Forest Lake
Honorable Mention	How the First Vaccine Paved the Way to Healthy World	Pedro De Filippo Vannucci	Roseville Area Senior High
Honorable Mention	Transportation Innovation Through Extraordinary Engineering: Barriers Broken by the Erie Canal	Ronan Lauber	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights

Senior Group Website

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1st Place National Qualifier	Horace Mann and the Common School Movement	Akshay Nambudiripad, Kalid Ali, Mani Chadaga, Simon Mulrooney	Central Senior High, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	Gloria Richardson: Breaking Racial Barriers in Cambridge, MD	Aiko Mattie, Emma McCarthy	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
3rd Place	Thich Quang Duc: The Burning Monk	Fawzaan Hashmi, Jack Roering, Matthew Schickling, Noah Gersich	Mankato West Senior High

4th Place	Craig v. Boren Ruth Bader Ginsburg	Annabel Schueneman, Briann Banwart, Freya Gordon	Mankato West Senior High
5th Place	Miriam Makeba: Her Under-appreciated Impact on The Apartheid	Alexandra Ezeokeke, Brooke Burnett, Maguire Murphy	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Penicillin Breaking Barriers	Aimee Fiedler, Anna Caruso, Leah Hausmann	Cretin-Derham Hall, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	The First Opium War	Bill Chu, Teresa Wang	Cretin-Derham Hall, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Speak American: The English-Only Movement in the U.S.	Jazmine Estrada Gomez, Sole'nisa Warren	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Ernst Haeckel: "The German Darwin" and the Unity of Culture	Abby Johnson, Anna Gerstenberger	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	The UNEP: The First Programme in International Environmental Law to Recognize the Right to a Healthier Environment	Emma Hayes, Kristen Nguyen	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	The Problem That Has No Name: Betty Friedan and The Feminine Mystique	Emilia Moberg, Jillian Armstrong	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Through the Jungle with Upton Sinclair	Elise Leonard, Ikram Gabri, Mallory Rotchadl	Mankato West Senior High
Honorable Mention	"Relieving Justice of Responsibility": Breaking Barriers Through Illegal Reporting	Azalea Rohr, Ella Hoch Robinson	South Senior High, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Jazz and the Cultural Barriers of the 1920s	Brian Goblisch, Garrison Solliday, Henry Reding	St. Thomas Academy, Mendota Heights
Honorable Mention	Boss Tweed + Tammany Hall	Ikran Saney, Maryan Abdi	Technical High School, St. Cloud

Junior Individual Exhibit

Rank	Title	Student	School
1st Place National Qualifier	C. Walton Lillehei	Annika Hellmark	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
2nd Place National Qualifier	Thalidomide	Ella Stadtherr	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
3rd Place	Baker v. Nelson	Alexander Her	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
4th Place	The Vietnam War: Breaking Societal Barriers through Photography and Photojournalism	Hannah Judkins	Fairmont Jr./Sr. High School
5th Place	Virginia Apgar	Ellie Vlieger	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	How Rubber Tanks Broke Barriers	Otto Montgomery	Anthony Middle School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Breaking Medical Racial Barriers: The Discovery of Blood Plasma	Christopher Crutchfield	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	An Unexpected Outcome: When Ford Toppled a Racing Dynasty	Archie Lightner	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Breaking Down Leukemia	Elizabeth Kaufmann	Chaska Middle School East
Honorable Mention	Alice Paul and the 19th Amendment: A Voice for Women	Larisa Kadric	Columbia Academy, Columbia Heights
Honorable Mention	Dolores Huerta: Breaking Intersectional Barriers in Labor Activism	Zoe Gutierrez	Edgewood Middle School, Mounds View
Honorable Mention	Breaking Financial and Societal Barriers in Women's Basketball: Establishment of the WNBA	Nevaeh Rahm	Fairmont Jr./Sr. High School
Honorable Mention	The History and Future of Plastics	Maya Sardon-Garrity	Friends School Of Minnesota, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Emmeline Pankhurst: Breaking Barriers in Women's Suffrage	Olive Grabe	Lake Nokomis Comm-Keewaydin Campus, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Sesame Street: Preventing Barriers in Early Education	Jonathan Newman	Murray Middle School, St. Paul

Honorable Mention	Breaking the Barriers to Humane Treatment in Minnesota Mental Hospitals: The Reformers that Moved Citizens to Action	Lauren Scott	Nativity, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Gallaudet University: Breaking Barriers in Deaf Education	Hannah Mason	Ordean Middle School, Duluth
Honorable Mention	Eunice Foote, Suffragist: Breaking Barriers in Climate Science	Molly McNamee	Ordean Middle School, Duluth
Honorable Mention	Ada Lovelace	Abigail Linsten	Ordean Middle School, Duluth
Honorable Mention	The Minnesota Semi Starvation Study	Calista Radintz	Orono Middle
Honorable Mention	Hubble Space Telescope: Looking to the Past for Insights to our Future	Kai Dickson	Parkview Center School, Roseville
Honorable Mention	Jacob Riis: Breaking Barriers for the Other Half	Kate Bittenbender	Shattuck-St. Mary's, Faribault
Honorable Mention	American Women's Hospital Service	Hannah Schlomann	St. Mary's, Bird Island
Honorable Mention	Jonas Salk: Breaking through the Polio Barrier	Griffin Kubesh	St. Mary's, Bird Island
Honorable Mention	She-She-She Camps: Opening New Doors for Women	Miraya Ryberg	St. Mary's, Bird Island
Honorable Mention	Women's Hockey: Breaking the Olympic Barrier	Bennett Scissons	Stella Maris Academy-St. John's Campus, Duluth
Honorable Mention	The 1934 Minneapolis Teamsters Strike and the Breaking of the Open Shop City	Michael Martin	Stella Maris Academy-St. John's Campus, Duluth
Honorable Mention	Joann Morgan	Lindy Eichinger	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
Honorable Mention	Outbreak! John Snow and the Broad Street Pump: Breaking Medical Barriers, Saving Lives	Avery Deffner	Wayzata West Middle
Honorable Mention	Nikola Tesla: Shattering the Limits of DC Power	Grant Witter	Wayzata West Middle
Honorable Mention	Title IX: Thirty-Seven Words to Change Herstory	Miranda Lindaman	Winona Middle

Honorabic	Breaking the Sound Barrier: Captioning Breaks Barriers for the Hearing Impaired	Ryan Kuehn	Woodbury Middle School
Hollorabic	6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion- Breaking Racial and Gender Barriers in WWII	Olivia Halunen	Woodbury Middle School

Junior Group Exhibit

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1st Place National Qualifier	"Breaking Barriers of Space": Apollo 11	Blaze Geiger, Isaac Sheard	Fairmont Jr./Sr. High School
2nd Place National Qualifier	Loving v. Virginia-Breaking the Marriage Barrier	Britney Merchan, Emily Duba	Fridley Middle School
3rd Place	Virginia Hall	Lucas McGladdery, Luke Williams	Sunrise Park Middle, White Bear Lake
4th Place	Breaking Racial Barriers: Fred Korematsu	Emily Brenner, Maria Brenner	Murray Middle School, St. Paul
5th Place	Elizabeth Blackwell: Mending Injustice	Katie Hagen, Lila Emerson, Sonja Holtey	South View Middle, Edina
Honorable Mention	Motown	Brianna Taylor, La'Naiya Vaughans, Travon Nixon	American Indian Magnet School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Florence Nightingale: Founder of Modern Nursing	Abby Mackey, Alexis Powell, Angel Christianson	Blackduck Middle School
Honorable Mention	Josephine Baker: Showgirl, Activist Spy?	Bijou Kruszka, Lilah Abraham	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Breaking the Barrier of Segregation: The Forming of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater	Amaya Colby-Clay, Kaya Kotze	Capitol Hill Magnet/Rondo, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Title IX	Ellie Betlock, Mia Johnson	Chaska Middle School West
Honorable Mention	Breaking Down the Barrier for Love: Loving v. Virginia	Adriana Inamagua, Mioftu Kurkura	Columbia Academy, Columbia Heights
Honorable Mention	Baker v. Nelson: The Fight For Love	Katelynn Hackett, Maddie Mueller	Columbia Academy, Columbia Heights
Honorable Mention	Hidden Amongst The Stars	Johanna Thomson, Kelly Tekautz	Edgewood Middle School, Mounds View

Honorable Mention	The Revolution of Plastic Surgery: Breaking Barriers for Timid Soldiers	Hudson Laven, Ty Nawrocki	Fairmont Jr./Sr. High School
Honorable Mention	"Hope Will Never Be Silent": Harvey Milk Breaks Political Barriers for LGBTQ+	Gage Borntrager, Jacob Wiemers	Fairmont Jr./Sr. High School
Honorable Mention	Mary Jackson	Josephine Black, Kaia Rademacher	Highland Park Middle School, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Kathrine Switzer: Breaking The Marathon Barrier	Lily Balk, Maddie Gau, Rachel Anderson	Lake Nokomis Comm-Keewaydin Campus, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Sesame Street: Breaking Barriers in Children's Television	Garin Hackbarth, Samuel Phillips	Ordean Middle School, Duluth
Honorable Mention	Minneapolis Millerettes: Women in Baseball	Ady Bollinger, Ava Kallunki	Salk Middle School, Elk River
Honorable Mention	"Walkout!": East LA Students Break Barriers for Education	Melissa Gutierrez Rosas, Michelle Javier, Zoe Maldonado-Collazo	Sanford Middle, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Frida Kahlo: Feminist Idol	Carly Heidman, Lucy Adelman	Seward Elementary, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	Kimberle Crenshaw: The Woman Who Coined Intersectionality	Ella Tennant, Jane Gehrenbeck-Miller	Seward Elementary, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	The Montreal Protocol	Callum Harmes, Roy Hendrickson	St. Peter Middle School
Honorable Mention	Zeros to Heroes; Navajo Code Talkers	Brennan McShane, Charles Hayden	Stella Maris Academy-St. John's Campus, Duluth
Honorable Mention	The Polio Pandemic	Belle Pennings, Regina Zaffuto	Stella Maris Academy-St. John's Campus, Duluth
Honorable Mention	Documents that Saved Thousands of Jews	Annabel McCann, Brooke Marquardt	Twin Oaks Middle School, Prior Lake
Honorable Mention	Elizabeth Blackwell Shattering the Medical Barrier for Women 1849	Iman Hassan, Kayla Zhou	Wayzata East Middle

Senior Individual Exhibit

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1st Place National Qualifier	Buck vs. Bell and Eugenics in America	Isabella Schmitt	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
2nd Place National Qualifier	Breaking the Barrier for Women in Clinical Trials	Bela Santan	Roosevelt Senior High, Minneapolis
3rd Place	Curtailing a Crippling Killer: How the Vaccine Conquered Polio	Mary Svien	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
4th Place	The Hello Girls: Breaking the Gender Barrier in the Military	Lucea DeFlorin	South Senior High, Minneapolis
5th Place	Breaking the Big Lead Barrier: Clair Cameron Patterson's Fight to Ban Poison Fuel	Alexander Boulton	Washington Tech Secondary Magnet, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Impressionism: Breaking Artistic Barriers	Martha Carlson	East High School, Duluth
Honorable Mention	Rosalind Franklin	Andrew Valentini	Forest Lake Area High School
Honorable Mention	Diamonds Are A Girl's Best Friend	Abby Altman	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Turn and Face the Strange : David Bowie's Reinvention of Artistic Norms	Cecelia Wall	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Apollo 11	Olivia Oolman	Kasson-Mantorville Senior High
Honorable Mention	Loving vs Virginia: Breaking the Barrier of Interracial Marriage	Karah Gullickson	Kennedy High School, Fergus Falls
Honorable Mention	Katherine Johnson, A Brilliant NASA Mathematician	Nicole Swanson	Mankato West Senior High
Honorable Mention	The Battle of the Sexes: The Match That Changed Everything	Emelia Buchanan	Mankato West Senior High
Honorable Mention	Braille is Power	Sydney Norwood	North Lakes Academy Upper School, Forest Lake
Honorable	Jenson v. Eveleth Taconite Co.: Breaking Barriers In Sexual Harassment	Jocelyn Dale	North Lakes Academy Upper School, Forest Lake

Mention			
Honorable Mention	The Space Race	Elle Wiederholt	Providence Academy, Plymouth
Honorable Mention	The Night Witches: Russian Airwoman Who Dropped Bombs and Broke Barriers	Luke Kottom	Schaeffer Academy, Rochester
Honorable Mention	Dorothea Lange	Anna Lage	Technical High School, St. Cloud

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Ist Place National Qualifier	Women's War of 1929: Matriarchy and Colonial Resistance in Nigeria	John Henry Sullivan, Kate Mandler	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
2nd Place National Qualifier	Women in Insane Asylums	Audrey Simpson, Evie Kaznessis	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
3rd Place	Frank Lloyd Wright: The Birth of American Architecture	Nick Scott, Owen Price, Saxon Rudduck	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
4th Place	"Justice Demands The Vote": The Racist Legacy of the Women's Suffrage Movement	Annabelle Niblett, Gwen McMahon	South Senior High, Minneapolis
5th Place	www.World_Wide_Web	Aisha Mohamed, Leah Donnelly, Naimo Hussein	Technical High School, St. Cloud
Honorable Mention	James J. Ryan: Breaking Barriers in Auto Safety	Ariana Yasmin, Iman Umer	Al-Amal School, Fridley
Honorable Mention	Women on the Homefront	Kailey Halverson, Lexie Simpson	Barnum Secondary
Honorable Mention	Bewitched to Death	Audrey Orfield Johnston, Grace Larkin, Will Sylvain	DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis
Honorable Mention	From Cowboys to Capital: The Fences that Broke Barriers	Greta Leitz-Najarian, Isabelle Sydow, Jack Stauffenecker	Duluth Marshall School
Honorable Mention	Stan Lee	Annica Stiles, Saige Anderson	Forest Lake Area High School
Honorable	Nellie Bly: An Investigative Journalist	Abby Larson, Chloe Koch, Delia Johnson	Highland Park Senior High, St. Paul

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Honorable Mention	Adelyn Dohme Breeskin: Breaking Barriers For Women in Art	Hailey King, Solvie Smestad	Kennedy High School, Fergus Falls
Honorable Mention	The Atomic Energy Act: Exploding the Barriers of Nuclear Energy	Markus Rupnow, Vincent Benzmiller	Mankato West Senior High
Honorable Mention	Bad Brains	Greta Kvale, Libby Nelson	Open World Learning Secondary, St. Paul
Honorable Mention	Margaret Sanger: Against the Grain of Silent Submission	Betsy Warren, Luciana Stich	South Senior High, Minneapolis

Frequently Asked Questions about State History Day Results

What if a National Qualifier cannot participate in the Virtual National Contest?

If you are a National Qualifier, ranked 1st of 2nd, and cannot participate in the Virtual National Contest, please let Minnesota History Day know right away. The National Qualifier spot will be offered the entry ranked 3rd, then 4th and 5th as necessary.

I'm a National Qualifier. When will I get more information on the Virtual National Contest?

National Qualifiers will be contacted via email by Minnesota History Day staff on Monday, May 4 with more information about registering and participating in the National Contest. This information will be sent to the student and parent email address you used in the online registration system.

When will I get my comment forms from judges?

Comment forms will be returned to the lead teacher at the school via email within one week of the State Awards Ceremony. Comments will be saved as PDFs and be stored as Google Drive documents until June 30. Please download and save these materials before this date.

Are Honorable Mentions ranked?

No. All entries who participated in the Final-Round of State but were not ranked 1-5 are awarded Honorable Mention. These entries were not ranked in the Final-Round.

How were the entries judged?

Entries are judged based on the *National History Day Contest Rule Book*, which is <u>available online</u>. The same criteria are used at all levels of competition. In general, the weight of the criteria is as follows:

- 60% Historical Quality
- 20% Relation to Theme
- 20% Clarity of Presentation
- Rules Compliance

Who were the judges?

Judges are volunteers with an interest in history, education, and working with young people. They come from libraries, historical societies, colleges/universities, and other cultural and business organizations in Minnesota. Many of our judges have participated for multiple years and each judge receives training in advance of the event.

What if I have a concern about judging?

"Judges must evaluate certain aspects of your entry that are objective (e.g., were primary sources used; is the written material grammatically correct and accurately spelled, etc.). But judges also must evaluate interpretive aspects of your entry that are qualitative in nature (e.g., analysis and conclusions about the historical data, etc.). Historians often reach different opinions about the significance of the same data. It is therefore crucial for you to base your interpretations and conclusions on solid research. Judges will check to determine whether you used available primary sources and whether you were careful to examine all sides of an issue and present a balanced account of your research and presentation. Your process paper and annotated bibliography are critical to this process."

-NHD Contest Rule Book

Please contact the <u>Minnesota History Day State Coordinato</u>r if you have a concern about judging.