



# 2019 State and National Contest Results



## **2019 State Contest Results**

April 25-26, 2019

### **YOUTH DIVISION: 4<sup>TH</sup>-5<sup>TH</sup> GRADES**

#### **Youth Group Documentary**

State Champion: *Mathematicians*, by Zachary Moss, Maxton Cieslinski, Camden Denton, Tyson Peterson.  
Teacher: Ellen Bennett, Coral Canyon Elementary.

#### **Youth Group Exhibit**

State Champion: *The History of Anne Frank*, by Azlyn Keitz, Ella Daams, Shasta Hall. Teacher: Darlene Tanner, Diamond Valley Elementary School.

State Champion: *The Forgotten Tragedy of the Bataan Death March*, by Gavin Burnside, Tate Kuhn.  
Teacher: Liz Halloran, Westland Elementary.

Honorable Mention: *Harsh D Day*, by Ashton Rasmussen, Trevon Lepore. Teacher: Katie Kilts, Polk Elementary School.

#### **Youth Group Performance**

State Champion: *Ruby Bridges*, by Braylee Carter, Statton Cox, Lydia Cox. Teacher: Tess Jensen, Belknap Elementary.

State Champion: *History of Gum Rap*, by Ella Cornejo, Rian Barnes. Teacher: Tina Mathewson, Shadow Valley Elementary.

Honorable Mention: *Rosa Parks*, by Taylor Duke, Lucy Blodgett. Teacher: Tina Mathewson, Shadow Valley Elementary.

#### **Youth Group Website**

State Champion: *Emmeline Pankhurst: Women's Rights in Great Britain*, by Madilyn Condie, Jessi Keiser.  
Teacher: Valerie Allen, Riverton Elementary School.

State Champion: *The Holocaust: Triumph and Tragedy of the Jews*, by Hannah Fisher, Bridget Gubler.  
Teacher: Liz Halloran, Westland Elementary.

Honorable Mention: *Pearl Harbor*, by Kelan Feldbauer, Autumn Cardenas. Teacher: Tina Mathewson, Shadow Valley Elementary.

### **Youth Individual Documentary**

State Champion: Neighbor against Neighbor Father Against Son The Tragedy of the Revolutionary War and the Wyoming Valley Massacre., by Samantha Excell. Teacher: Dan Zaleski , Hurricane Elementary.

State Champion: Riding In the Pony Express, by Abigail Hooper. Teacher: Valery Gines, Jordan Ridge Elementary.

### **Youth Individual Exhibit**

State Champion: Louis Zamperini - Courageous through Triumph and Tragedy, by Benjamin Evans. Teacher: Brittany Roper, Jefferson Academy.

State Champion: Triumph and Tragedy of the Winter Quarters Mine Disaster, by Coleton Moore. Teacher: Liz Halloran, Westland Elementary.

Honorable Mention: Louis Zamperini, by Eli Gale. Teacher: Tess Jensen, Belknap Elementary.

Honorable Mention: Chasing the Dream: Triumph and Tragedy in the Modern Olympic Games, by Leah Sweeney. Teacher: Stacy Fincher, Castle Heights Elementary.

### **Youth Individual Performance**

State Champion: Piracy and the United States, by Christian Morris. Teacher: Sandy Hayes, Sam Morgan Elementary.

State Champion: Operation Overlord: The View from an Ogden Soldier, by Gerard Hernandez. Teacher: Tina Mathewson, Shadow Valley Elementary.

Honorable Mention: The Battle of Gettysburg, by Audrey Porter. Teacher: Valerie Allen, Riverton Elementary School.

### **Youth Individual Website**

State Champion: Death and Destruction Downwind, by Knute Rockne. Teacher: Valery Gines, Jordan Ridge Elementary.

State Champion: The Discovery of Penicillin, by Austin Birdsall. Teacher: Valerie Allen, Riverton Elementary School.

Honorable Mention: Atomic Bomb, by Carter White. Teacher: Tess Jensen, Belknap Elementary.

### **Youth Paper**

State Champion: Family, Faith, and Forgiveness Allow for Triumph in the Great Tragedy of the Bataan Death March, by Parker Olson. Teacher: Darlene Tanner, Diamond Valley Elementary School.

## JUNIOR DIVISION: 6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADES

### Junior Group Documentary

State Champion: Glen Canyon Dam: Preservation or Desecration, by Paige Topham, KerriAnne Skidmore. Teacher: Cali Dansie, Timberline Middle School.

State Champion: Dying for Safety: A History of The Radium Girls, by Cohen Jones, Wyatt Peterson. Teacher: James Romrell, Lakeridge Junior High.

Honorable Mention: Berlin 1936 Olympics: Defying the Nazi Regime, by Natalie McRoberts, Amber Parker, Abigail Slama-Catron. Teacher: Sheradee Bradfield, Midvale Middle School.

### Junior Group Exhibit

State Champion: The Triumphs and Tragedies of the Transcontinental Railroad, by Whitley Hughes, Lyndsie Pender, Taisley Marshall, Elle Williams, Heidi Harris. Teacher: Tina McMullin, Beaver High School.

State Champion: Cornelia Arnolda Johanna ten Boom: Triumph and Tragedy, by Kate Black, Emma Peterson, Chloe Cammack. Teacher: Julia Wilcox, Alice C Harris Intermediate.

Honorable Mention: The Forgotten Fire, by Josie Dolman, Ammon Wittemund, Spencer Remund, Ali Lafferty. Teacher: Sallee Kauwe, Vitsa Heights Middle School.

### Junior Group Performance

State Champion: The Modern Reach of Henrietta Lacks, by Amelia Simper, Jocelyn Millington. Teacher: Sallee Kauwe, Vitsa Heights Middle School.

State Champion: Angel of Peace: The Triumph and Tragedy of Samantha Smith, by Kaitlyn Sorensen, Joshua Christiansen, Koby Yardley, Lydia McMaster. Teacher: Tina McMullin, Beaver High School.

Honorable Mention: Hole in the Rock Trek, by Elizabeth Turnbow, Jennette Turnbow. Teacher: Michael Wagner, Tabiona Public School.

### Junior Group Website

State Champion: Completing the Transcontinental Railroad: A Triumph for the Nation, a Tragedy for the Migrant Worker, by Amelia Goodwin, Rachael Goodwin. Teacher: Julia Wilcox, Alice C Harris Intermediate.

State Champion: The Galveston Hurricane, by Nicholas Bassett, Jackson Brinton, Tyler Amberry, Brady Copeland. Teacher: Cali Dansie, Timberline Middle School.

Honorable Mention: Hedy Lamarr, by Kenna Macdonald, Adi Jones. Teacher: Kristin South, Emily Glende, The Waterford School.

### **Junior Individual Documentary**

State Champion: The Triumph and Tragedy of the East Los Angeles Walkouts, by Natalia Lopez. Teacher: Jeff Low, Thomas Edison Charter School North.

State Champion: Next Year in Jerusalem: How American Volunteers Helped Survivors Sail from the Tragedy of the Holocaust to the Jewish Triumph of the State of Israel, by Cameron Jessop. Teacher: Sheradee Bradfield, Midvale Middle School.

Honorable Mention: The Scope to Our Stars; The Hubble Space Telescope, by Aleah Zdunich. Teacher: Emily Glende, The Waterford School.

### **Junior Individual Exhibit**

State Champion: Ignaz Semmelweis: The Father of Infection Control, by Julia Howe. Teacher: JoLyne Merchant, Thomas Edison Charter School South.

State Champion: Fired Up: The Tragic Spark that Ignited Industry Safety Reform, by Allie Jorgensen. Teacher: James Romrell, Lakeridge Junior High.

Honorable Mention: Polio: A Nation-Wide Battle, by Ashlyn Bair. Teacher: Kara Catano, Thomas Edison Charter School South.

### **Junior Individual Performance**

State Champion: Freedom! The Triumph and Tragedy of the Battle of Stirling Bridge, by Brock McConkie. Teacher: James Romrell, Lakeridge Junior High.

State Champion: The Longest Roadtrip, by Kimball Morris. Teacher: Carol Morris, Morris Homeschool.

Honorable Mention: Harry Houdini: Life and Legacy, by McKenna Fuller. Teacher: Robin Korones, Riverton Elementary School.

### **Junior Individual Website**

State Champion: Within the Rubble: The New London School Explosion, by Eli Ashcroft. Teacher: JoLyne Merchant, Thomas Edison Charter School South.

State Champion: Florence Nightingale: More Than Just the 'Lady of the Lamp', by Lydia Bohm. Teacher: JoLyne Merchant, Thomas Edison Charter School South.

Honorable Mention: Ghost Girls: The Triumph and Tragedy of America's Dial-Painters, by Elise Carter. Teacher: Jeff Low, Thomas Edison Charter School North.

### **Junior Paper**

State Champion: Independence and Partition: The Triumph and Tragedy of British India's Freedom Struggle, by Anika Rao. Teacher: Kim Perry, Clayton Middle School.



State Champion: Grey Skies and Red Lies: China's Cultural Revolution, by Annabelle Qian. Teacher: Emily Glende, The Waterford School.

Honorable Mention: The Jungle: Exposing The Amazon of American Industry, by Ella Mask. Teacher: Cali Dansie, Timberline Middle School.

## **SENIOR DIVISION : 9<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

### **Senior Group Documentary**

State Champion: Chicago 1871: Rising from the Ashes and Sparking Success, by Garrett Bryner, Pierce Bryner. Teacher: Chris Sweeney, Carbon High School.

State Champion: Utah Politics: The Fight for Increased Diversity, by Luqman Abdi, Molly Chien. Teacher: Kelly Haakenson, Salt Lake Center For Science Education.

Honorable Mention: A Whistle Heard Around The World: The Story Of The Boy Who Sparked The Civil Rights Movement, by Kaylee Meyers, Caleb Stay. Teacher: James Romrell, Lakeridge Junior High.

### **Senior Group Exhibit**

State Champion: The Great Fire of London, by Maddison Mattingly, Maegan Mattingly, Lyndsie Foster. Teacher: Joshua Carver, Vanguard Academy.

State Champion: Alan Turing, by Tate Gale, Cooter Gale. Teacher: Tina McMullin, Beaver High School.

Honorable Mention: "I have to die now for no crime at all" - Helmuth Hubener, by Ellie Hoopes, Julee Harris. Teacher: Heath Madsen, Fremont High School.

### **Senior Group Performance**

State Champion: Chinese Immigrants and Transcontinental Railroad, by Christopher Mason, Larsen Stephens. Teacher: Joshua Carver, Vanguard Academy.

State Champion: Selma to Montgomery March: Triumph Over Tragedy, by Staten Perkins, Kaitlyn Crippen, Emma Ward, Sophia Redd. Teacher: Janna Rogers, San Juan High School.

Honorable Mention: The Navajo Code Talkers, by Christian Cly, Tiana Sam, Riana James, Kristin Cly, Esperanza Lee. Teacher: Janna Rogers, San Juan High School.

### **Senior Group Website**

State Champion: Huguenot Bloodbath: The Triumph and Tragedy of the Saint Bartholomew's Day Massacre, by Mitch Carter, Erin Blanchard, Tim Bradford, Jisung Lee. Teacher: Candace Mullen, Logan High School.



State Champion: The Disaster of the Sultana, by Nathaniel Wells, Gabriel Ransom. Teacher: Kristin South, Emily Glende, The Waterford School.

Honorable Mention: Erasing History: The Lobotomies of World War II, by Saige Stock, Alivia Schilling. Teacher: Shelly Ripplinger, Katherine Robinson, Syracuse Arts Academy.

### **Senior Individual Documentary**

State Champion: Fritz Haber: Feeding the World and Warfare, by Jacob Simmons. Brighton High School.

State Champion: The Kindertransport: Triumph and Tragedy, by Rachel Willick. Teacher: Melinda Reay, Skyline High School.

Honorable Mention: Criminal: Triumphs and Tragedies of Civil Disobedience in 20th Century US History, by Julane Machado. Teacher: Melinda Reay, Skyline High School.

### **Senior Individual Exhibit**

State Champion: Ghost Army, by Madeline Christianson. Teacher: James Romrell, Lakeridge Junior High.

State Champion: 2977 - September 11, 2001, by Victor Granados. Teacher: John McNeill, Granger High School.

Honorable Mention: Freedom Isn't Free, by Harley Hennessy. Teacher: John McNeill, Granger High School.

### **Senior Individual Performance**

State Champion: How I Spent My Summer Vacation: Triumph and Tragedy at Gettysburg, by Maggie Call. Teacher: Melinda Dickson, South Davis Jr. High.

State Champion: The Danish Solution, by Maddie Morris. Teacher: Mike Thompson, Fairfield Junior High.

Honorable Mention: Evolution of a Song, by Jonathan Eldreth. Teacher: Todd Scott, Ogden High School.

### **Senior Individual Website**

State Champion: The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire: Tragedy Leads to Triumph, by Abbie Saccomanno. Teacher: Katherine DeBry, Carbon High School.

State Champion: Camp Sobibor, by Emma Davis. Teacher: Jenn Beecher, Mountain Heights Academy.

Honorable Mention: Seeing Cambodia in a New Light: The Cambodian Genocide, by Katelyn Nielson. Teacher: Shelly Ripplinger, Katherine Robinson, Syracuse Arts Academy.

## **Senior Paper**

State Champion: Is the French Resistance a Myth? Exploring the Effectiveness of the French Resistance in World War II by Focusing on the Triumphs and Tragedies of D-Day, by Kate De Groot. Teacher: Melinda Reay, Skyline High School.

State Champion: Triumph and Tragedy: How Effective was Reconstruction in Securing African American Rights?, by Heather Feeny. Teacher: Michelle Braeden, Ogden High School.

Honorable Mention: The Tragedy of the Japanese Internment: Benefits of Submission, by Anna Christiansen. Teacher: Shelly Ripplinger, Katherine Robinson, Syracuse Arts Academy.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

### **History in Government Prize**

Sponsored by Utah State Archives

Junior Paper: Independence and Partition: The Triumph and Tragedy of British India's Freedom Struggle, by Anika Rao. Teacher: Kim Perry, Clayton Middle School.

Senior Group Exhibit: The Great Fire of London, by Maddison Mattingly, Maegan Mattingly, Lyndsie Foster. Teacher: Joshua Carver, Vanguard Academy.

### **Immigrant Histories Prize**

Sponsored by University of Utah Department of History

Senior Paper: The Tragedy of the Japanese Internment: Benefits of Submission, by Anna Christiansen. Teacher: Shelly Ripplinger, Katherine Robinson, Syracuse Arts Academy.

### **Military History Prize**

Sponsored by Fort Douglas Military Museum

Junior Group Exhibit: Gallipoli: Triumph and Tragedy, by Jack Bulf, Aidan Mulligan. Teacher: Azure Smith, St. John the Baptist Middle School.

Junior Individual Website: The Nanjing Massacre, by Ke Guo. Teacher: Kristin South, The Waterford School.

Senior Paper: Is the French Resistance a Myth? Exploring the Effectiveness of the French Resistance in World War II by Focusing on the Triumphs and Tragedies of D-Day, by Kate De Groot. Teacher: Melinda Reay, Skyline High School.





### **Science, Medicine, & Technology Prize**

Sponsored by University of Utah Department of History

Junior Individual Exhibit: Polio: A Nation-Wide Battle, by Ashlyn Bair. Teacher: Kara Catano, Thomas Edison Charter School South.

### **Social & Civil Rights Prize**

Sponsored by University of Utah Department of History

Senior Individual Website: King's Last Dream: The Tragedy of the Poor People's Campaign, by Kelsey Hagman. Teacher: Caroline Hagman, Brighton High School.

### **Trails & Rails Prize**

Sponsored by Oregon-California Trails Association, Utah Crossroads Chapter

Junior Group Exhibit: The Triumphs and Tragedies of the Transcontinental Railroad, by Whitley Hughes, Lyndsie Pender, Taisley Marshall, Elle Williams, Heidi Harris. Teacher: Tina McMullin, Beaver High School.

Junior Group Website: Completing the Transcontinental Railroad: A Triumph for the Nation, a Tragedy for the Migrant Worker, by Amelia Goodwin, Rachael Goodwin. Teacher: Julia Wilcox, Alice C Harris Intermediate.

Senior Group Exhibit: Journey to Zion, by Hayley Shumway, Brittany Grover, Tyler Shumway, Madison Palmer. Teacher: Janna Rogers, San Juan High School.

### **Utah History Prize**

Sponsored by Smith-Pettit Foundation

Senior Group Documentary: Utah Pioneers on Transcontinental Railroad, by Camellia Yuan, Acacia Yuan. Teacher: Britton Coil, Barbara Jensen, Logan High School, Edith Bowen Lab School.

Junior Group Documentary: Glen Canyon Dam: Preservation or Desecration, by Paige Topham, KerriAnne Skidmore. Teacher: Cali Dansie, Timberline Middle School.

### **Western History Prize**

Sponsored by Charles Redd Center for Western Studies, BYU

Junior Group Documentary: Glen Canyon Dam: Preservation or Desecration, by Paige Topham, KerriAnne Skidmore. Teacher: Cali Dansie, Timberline Middle School.

Senior Group Performance: The Navajo Code Talkers, by Christian Cly, Tiana Sam, Riana James, Kristin Cly, Esperanza Lee. Teacher: Janna Rogers, San Juan High School.



Senior Individual Documentary: Grafton Utah: The Triumph and Tragedy of a Mormon settlement in Utah's Dixie, by Amberli Excell. Teacher: Joan Cartmill, St. George Academy.

### **Women's History Prize**

Sponsored by Better Days 2020

Junior Group Documentary: Dying for Safety: A History of The Radium Girls, by Cohen Jones, Wyatt Peterson. Teacher: James Romrell, Lakeridge Junior High.

Junior Individual Performance: The Life of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, by Lily Wheeler. Teacher: Kim Perry, Clayton Middle School.

Senior Individual Performance: How I Spent My Summer Vacation: Triumph and Tragedy at Gettysburg, by Maggie Call. Teacher: Melinda Dickson, South Davis Jr. High.

Junior Individual Performance: How Long Must Women Wait For Liberty: The Triumphs of Susan B. Anthony's Fight For Women's Suffrage, by Ivory Cazier. Teacher: James Romrell, Lakeridge Junior High.

### **World History Prize**

Sponsored by University of Utah Department of History

Junior Individual Performance: Freedom! The Triumph and Tragedy of the Battle of Stirling Bridge, by Brock McConkie. Teacher: James Romrell, Lakeridge Junior High.

### **World War I Prize**

Sponsored by Utah World War I Commission

Junior Group Website: Somme: The Triumph Hidden Within the Tragedy, by Daniel Jin, Dinyu Wang. Teacher: Kathryn Leany, Lava Ridge Intermediate School.

Senior Individual Documentary: Fritz Haber: Feeding the World and Warfare, by Jacob Simmons. Teacher: Cheryl Simmons, Brighton High School.

Senior Individual Performance: An American WWI Mother's Triumph and Tragedy, by Tessa Goodwine. Teacher: Joshua Keyes, Monticello High School.



## 2019 Utah History Day Nationals Report

June 9-13, 2019

University of Maryland, College Park

### National Delegation

#### **65 Students, 5 Teachers**

**23 Schools Represented:** Alice C. Harris Intermediate, Beaver High School, Brighton High School, Carbon High School, Clayton Middle, Fairfield Junior High, Granger High School, Home School, Lakeridge Junior High, Logan High School, Midvale Middle School, Mountain Heights Academy (online school), Ogden High School, San Juan High School, Skyline High School, South Davis Junior High, Syracuse Arts Academy, The Waterford School, Thomas Edison Charter Schools, Timberline Middle School, Vanguard Academy, Vista Heights Middle School.

**15 Towns Represented:** Alpine, Beaver, Blanding, Bountiful, Kaysville, Logan, Ogden, Orem, Price, Salt Lake, Sandy, Saratoga Springs, Syracuse, Tremonton, and West Valley.

### Utah Standings

Out of about 3,000 competitors at nationals, Utah's top finishers were:

**Fourth Place & Outstanding State Junior Entry:** Lydia Bohm, "Florence Nightingale: More Than Just the 'Lady of the Lamp,'" Junior Individual Website, Thomas Edison Charter School South (Logan).

**Outstanding State Senior Entry:** Jacob Simmons, "Ritz Haber: Feeding the World and Warfare," Senior Individual Documentary, Brighton High School (Sandy).

**World War II History Prize:** Madeline Christianson, "The Ghost Army," Senior Individual Exhibit, Lakeridge Junior High (Orem).

**Honorable Mention** entries placed in the top two in their first round flight at nationals. These are:

Julia Howe, "Ignaz Semmelweis: The Father of Infection Control," Junior Individual Exhibit, Thomas Edison Charter School South (Logan).

Chloe Cammack, Emma Peterson, Kate Black, "Cornelia Arnolda Johanna ten Boom: Triumph and Tragedy," Junior Group Exhibit, Alice C. Harris Intermediate School (Tremonton).

KerriAnne Skidmore and Paige Topham, "Glen Canyon Dam: Preservation or Desecration," Junior Group Documentary, Timberline Middle School (Alpine).



Cohen Jones and Wyatt Peterson, "Dying for Safety: A History of the Radium Girls," Junior Group Documentary, Lakeridge Junior High (Orem).

### More Nationals Week Highlights

Lyndsie Foster, Maddison Mattingly, and Maegan Mattingly, who attend Vanguard Academy in West Valley City, had the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to display their exhibit on the Great Fire of London at the National Museum of American History for a day.

Tremonton student Amelia Goodwin was a delegate on Wednesday, June 12 at the NEH Breakfast on the Hill event. She discussed her group website project "Completing the Transcontinental Railroad: A Triumph for the Nation, a Tragedy for the Migrant Worker."

We hosted our largest contingent ever at the U.S. Capitol on June 12 with 150 students, parents, and teachers! They enjoyed a green Jello social with Senator Lee, a photo on the Capitol Steps with Senator Romney, and a Q&A with Congressman McAdams. The group then toured the Capitol building with our Senate interns. It was a great day!

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Mark Your Calendars for National Contest 2020: June 14-18!