



Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society
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2017 Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society Law Day: Official Contest Rules

Qualified Participants: The Law Day Contest is open to students, student groups, and classes attending a public or private high school, or being home schooled, within Connecticut and in grades 9-12 or the equivalent. There are four categories for submissions: Individual Art, Individual Poetry, Team Art and Team Poetry. The Team categories will consist of two or more students.

Background: The Law Day Contest asks participants to create an art piece or poetry piece exploring the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution and why the preservation of these principles is essential to our liberty. Participants should utilize the theme: "The 14th Amendment: Equal Protection."

Sponsors: The 2017 Law Day Contest is sponsored by the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society and the Contest prizes are made possible through the generous donations by the Society's supporters.

Contest Eligibility Requirements: Qualified participants are allowed to submit a two-dimensional art piece or poetry piece to be entered in the Law Day Contest. Students are encouraged to use their creativity to create two-dimensional art pieces not to exceed 11"x17" (including, but not limited to, drawings, paintings, photographs, comics, etc.). Poetry should be limited to 250 words. Each submission must be accompanied by a signed Entry Form. All Qualified Participants under the age of 18 years must have their parent or legal guardian sign the Parental Permission Release on the Entry Form. Any and all participants must assent to the republication, reproduction, or any other use of the submissions and the likenesses and personas contained therein by the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society and must sign the applicable release. Additionally, each Law Day Contest Entry Form must certify the submission is the original work of the Qualified Participant(s). Submissions are subject to verification for compliance with these Rules. Qualified Participants are not limited to one entry, but will only be eligible to win one prize.

Group Submissions: Two or more Qualified Participants may submit a group entry. Qualified Participants need not be from the same school or class. However, all students must meet Contest Eligibility Requirements and must complete the Law Day Contest Entry Form with Parental Permission.

Steps to Enter: Qualified Participants must:

1. Agree to the contest Rules. To do so, you may find the contest Entry Form and a copy of the contest Rules at www.jud.ct.gov/historicalsociety/. All submissions must be accompanied by a signed and completed Law Day Contest Entry Form signed by all participants or parent/guardian as applicable.

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2. Create an art piece or poetry piece that highlights the theme “The 14th Amendment: Equal Protection”
3. Submit the art piece or poetry piece by mail, with the completed Entry Form, to:

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4. Contest entries will be accepted beginning today. To be eligible for prizes, all entries must be postmarked by April 7, 2017.
5. All Qualified Participants under the age of 18 must have their parent or guardian sign the Parental Permission Release on the Entry Form. Winners will be required to prove eligibility requirements and compliance with the Rules.

Contest Description:

1. Selection of winners in the Individual and Team categories will be based on originality, creativity, adherence to the theme, and overall quality.
2. The Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society Law Day Contest Committee will select no more than one winner for each of the four categories from among the Eligible Entries that meet minimum quality standards and best reflect the theme. Winners will be announced on or about April 14, 2017 and posted on the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society website.

Contest Prizes: Winners for the individual art and individual poetry contest will receive prizes in the form a check from the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society with a value not to exceed \$250.00, each. Winners for the team art and team poetry contests will receive prizes in the form a check from the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society with a value not to exceed \$500.00 per team.

Privacy: Any and all names, contact information, and related information should be submitted only on the entry form. Names, contact information, or any other personally identifiable information should not be included within the submission (for example, on a “credit roll”), as the submitted pieces may be displayed on publicly accessible websites. If personally identifiable information is presented within the submission, the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society may void or deem the submission ineligible.

Submitted Art/Poetry: All submissions must be the original work of the participants.

Participants must not have granted any other person or entity prior right to use the piece. Submissions will not be accepted or eligible if they include any content that contains or appears to contain:

1. Profane, obscene, or inappropriate language, contest or material or gratuitous violence;
2. Endorses, encourages, or condones drug use, underage drinking, alcohol abuse or other illegal activity;
3. Any express or implied commercial endorsement;

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4. Any derogatory characterization of any person or group based on age, race, color, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, marital status, mental or physical disability, citizenship, creed, national origin, physical appearance, political affiliation, union membership, or other unethical or unlawful factors;
5. By submitting art entries, participants warrant that the contents of the submitted piece does not infringe on any copyright owned by another, and/or that the content of the piece is within the bounds of the fair use doctrine. Participants also confirm that to the best of their knowledge, any statements made in the submitted piece are true and do not violate or infringe on the rights of third parties.

Conditions of Participation:

1. By entering, participants agree to defend and indemnify sponsor(s) and sponsor's principles, subsidiaries, affiliates, directors, officers, employees, and agents from any and all liability for any injuries, loss, or damage of any kind arising from or in connection with the contest as a result of receiving participants' submissions and/or misuse of any prize.
2. Each participant agrees that the sponsor(s) may retain a copy of the submitted art and poetry and also consents, approves and authorizes the sponsor the right to use, broadcast, webcast, or otherwise exhibit or display the submitted pieces.
3. Each participant grants the sponsor(s) the unqualified right to use his or her name and submission entries, in connection with promoting or marketing the contest or its theme, and future contests, materials or as the sponsor(s) determine.
4. The rights described in these official rules begin immediately upon submission of the art piece.
5. The sponsor has no obligation to post or display any submitted piece and may at its discretion remove any submitted pieces at any time.
6. The participant releases the sponsor from any and all claims by third parties or the participant in connection with the submitted piece.

General Conditions:

1. The Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society is and shall be the final arbiter of the contest and applicability of these rules.
2. The sponsor reserves the right to void entries it deems associated with any form of tampering.
3. Should technical or other difficulties arise that compromise the integrity of the contest the sponsor may cancel, modify or suspend the contest without notice. In that case, the sponsor reserves the right to award the prizes from eligible entries received before the cancellation.
4. The sponsor is not responsible for any technical malfunction or service outage related to the contest.

Questions? If you have any questions in relation to the contest, please contact,
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