

National History Day in Missouri  
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## STATE CONTEST SPECIAL PRIZES

Please complete the online form and submit the appropriate paperwork to apply for special prizes at the state contest:  
<http://www.nhdmo.org/special-prize-application.html>

### American Association of University Women (AAUW) Women's History Prizes

Three \$100 awards given to the best **individual entries** in the junior and senior **performance or documentary** categories on women's history. This prize is awarded by the American Association of University Women, a network of women and men dedicated to removing barriers that block women from full equality.

**PLEASE NOTE:** You must submit your project paperwork (process papers and annotated bibliographies) on the special prize form by March 27, 2024.

### Jewish History Prizes

Awards for up to two entries—historical paper, documentary, performance, or website—on Jewish history, by the United Hebrew Congregation of Joplin and Temple Israel of Springfield, to encourage students of all backgrounds to investigate any period, setting, or aspect of the history of the Jewish OTHER THAN THE HOLOCAUST. SEE BELOW FOR SUGGESTIONS. In addition to following the General Rules for History Day projects and the Category Rules, entries should place the topic in the context of the Jewish history of the time and place.

**ADDITIONAL NOTE:** The Holocaust IS a tremendously important topic in Jewish history, but in recent years, it has been the subject of virtually all special prize entries. We'd like to encourage contestants to explore a wider range of Jewish experiences across time and place. Just a few possibilities include:

- Ancient Israel during the Bronze and early Iron Ages
- Jews in the Hellenistic World and Roman Empire
- Jews as minorities in Christian or Islamic societies
- European Jewish communities during the Crusades.
- Expulsions of Jews from some European countries, 1200s-1500s
- Jewish immigration to the North America, South America, South Africa, or Australia
- Jewish life in the United States
- the emergence of modern antisemitism
- notable Jewish figures in philosophy, science, politics, sports
- the history of modern Israel.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Entries for the Jewish History Prizes are judged prior to the Saturday contest. You must submit a copy of your paper or documentary, a link to your website, a video of your performance, or video/photographs of your exhibit, as well as your project paperwork (process papers and annotated bibliographies) on the special prize form by March 27, 2024

### Joplin Regional History Prizes

Two \$100 awards given to the **best junior and senior entries in any category** featuring historical events, people, businesses, activities, geology, geography, battles, architecture, etc. where subject matter has a major or minor connection to Newton or Jasper County, Missouri, using current or previous boundaries. The prizes are awarded by Historic Murphysburg Preservation, Inc. (a volunteer, non-profit organization in Joplin, Missouri) to encourage students to investigate any period, setting, or aspect of history and to relate their discoveries to

HMP's mission of historic preservation and education.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *Entries for the Joplin Regional History Prizes are judged prior to the Saturday contest. You must submit a copy of your paper or documentary, a link to your website, a video of your performance, or video/photographs of your exhibit, as well as your project paperwork (process papers and annotated bibliographies) on the special prize form by March 27, 2024.*

### **Local History Prize**

One \$150 award for the **best entry** in any division or category that uses published or unpublished local government records, unpublished manuscript sources of a local nature, or local photograph collections. The award is presented by Lynn Morrow, former Director of the Local Records Program of the Missouri State Archives, and Kristen Morrow. This prize was established to encourage students to relate the theme of National History Day to a local topic and to advocate the use of local records in the research of that topic.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *Entries for the Local History Prize are judged prior to the Saturday contest. You must submit a copy of your paper or documentary, a link to your website, a video of your performance, or video/photographs of your exhibit, as well as your project paperwork (process papers and annotated bibliographies) on the special prize form by March 27, 2024.*

### **Missouri Press Association Prize**

A \$200 award for the **best entry** in any division or category that features the history of journalism, newspapers, or a journalist. This prize is established by the Missouri Press Association to encourage National History Day in Missouri scholars to explore the vibrant history captured by journalists and shared by the newspaper industry.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *Entries for the Missouri Press Association Prize are judged prior to the Saturday contest. You must submit a copy of your paper or documentary, a link to your website, a video of your performance, or video/photographs of your exhibit, as well as your project paperwork (process papers and annotated bibliographies) on the special prize form by March 27, 2024.*

### **Floyd C. Shoemaker Prize**

One \$150 award for the **best senior division historical paper** dealing with the history of Missouri, either its events or personalities. Shoemaker, secretary and director of The State Historical Society of Missouri (1915-1960), created this award to support the advancement of Missouri history in the universities, colleges, and high schools throughout the state.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *Entries for the Floyd C. Shoemaker Prize are judged prior to the Saturday contest. You must submit your paper (title page, process paper, paper, and annotated bibliography combined into one document) on the special prize form by March 27, 2024.*

### **Adolf and Rebecca Schroeder Missouri German Heritage Prize**

One \$100 award presented in honor of Adolf and Rebecca Schroeder for the **best entry** relating to German immigrant contributions to Missouri. Entries may focus on a community in Missouri founded by German immigrants; German-American achievements in the arts, agriculture, business or science; a German-American cultural or musical group; or an individual or family history.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *Entries for the Missouri German Heritage Prize are judged prior to the Saturday contest. You must submit a copy of your paper or documentary, a link to your website, a video of your performance, or video/photographs of your exhibit, as well as your project paperwork (process papers and annotated bibliographies) on the special prize form by March 27, 2024.*

### **Strickland Memorial African-American History Prizes**

Five \$100 awards, one in each category, from an endowment established by Dr. Arvarh E. Strickland, Department of History, University of Missouri-Columbia to the **best entries** on African-American history. The award is open to both junior and senior divisions.