

**Connecticut History Day**  
**2025 New Haven Regional Contest Results**

Junior Division

**Category: Junior Papers**

**First Place:** *Civil Networking in Cyberspace: The Serendipitous Effect of the Internet Rights Charter (by Association for Progressive Communications) on Online Rights and Responsibilities*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Cyra Osler

**Second Place:** *Oceanic Destruction: Sharks Are Victims of Human Action*

School: St. Rita School [Hamden]

Student: Bridget Barnett

**Third Place:** *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka: The Big Bang of Social Reform, School Integration, and the Rights of African Americans*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: David Martinez-Quintero

**Honorable Mention:** *The Salem Witch Trials: Where Rights Were Nearly Executed*

School: James H. Moran Middle School [Wallingford]

Student: Benjamin Lawrie

**Category: Junior Individual Exhibit**

**First Place:** *Little Mary Ellen: A Pioneer in Children's Rights*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Emanuel Martinez-Quintero

**Second Place:** *A Code for Change: The Nuremberg Legacy*

School: St. Rita School [Hamden]

Student: Leanne Berongoy

**Third Place:** *The Boston Tea Party*

School: James H. Moran Middle School [Wallingford]

Student: Blake Parsons

**Honorable Mention:** *The Tulsa Race Masacre: The fall of Black Wall Street*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Laila Hugley

**Category: Junior Group Exhibit**

**First Place:** *In Chains for Change: The Arrest of Alice Paul*

School: Memorial Middle School [Middlebury]

Students: Jamie Quiles, Katelyn Michitsch

**Second Place:** *Work, Family, Fatherland: National Revolution in Vichy France*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Students: Mengzhou Han, Daelen Dinkler

**Third Place:** *The 1973 Treaty: The Return of the Polar Bears*

School: James H. Moran Middle School [Wallingford]

Students: Juliet Caponera, Norah Kiely

**Honorable Mention:** *Crossing the Delaware*

School: James H. Moran Middle School [Wallingford]

Students: Aubrey Kolodziej, Alyssa Beers

**Category:** Junior Individual Documentary

**First Place:** *Chicago-Style Hot Dogs: A Lens for Looking at Rights and Responsibilities in History*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Iva Roosien

**Second Place:** *“America calls, but Americans repel”: The Denial of Equal Immigration Rights*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Sieun Yoo

**Third Place:** *Animal Cruelty: Rights of Animals and Responsibility of Society*

School: St. Rita School [Hamden]

Student: Giuliana Polinsky

**Honorable Mention:** *The Blackwell Sisters: The First Women In Medicine*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Ayra Tarabar

**Category:** Junior Group Documentary

**First Place:** *Education and Equality: The Legacy of Prudence Crandall and the Canterbury Female Boarding School*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Students: Nora Peaper, Clarissa Castilho

**Second Place:** *Margaret Sanger: The Contraceptive Catalyst - The Pill's Founder and Her Legacy*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Students: Sophia Korn, Imaan Ahmed

**Category:** Junior Group Performance

**First Place:** *How Susan B. Anthony and Alice Paul Impacted Women's Rights in the 19th Amendment*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Students: Alice Asael, Amina Ramazanova

**Category:** Junior Individual Website

**First Place:** *The Universal Declaration of Human Rights: A Milestone For Humanity*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Albert Wang

**Second Place:** *The Collapse of the North Atlantic Cod Fishing Industry*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Matilda Queenborough

**Third Place:** *Judy Heumann's Role in Disability Activism*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Emmett Cantonwine

**Honorable Mention:** *That Certain Summer: The First Positive Representation of LGBT People in TV and Movies*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Student: Clare Ostergren

**Category:** Junior Group Website

**First Place:** *Siege of Leningrad: 900 Days of Hell*

School: Worthington Hooker School [New Haven]

Students: Allen Zhang, Peter Trastsianka, Akmal Samadi

## Senior Division

### Category: Senior Papers

**First Place:** *Science Without Conscience: The Disturbing History of Unit 731 and the Betrayal of Justice*

School: Choate Rosemary Hall [Wallingford]

Student: Brendan Beng

**Second Place:** *A Right Denied: The Fight Against National Health Insurance in America*

School: Choate Rosemary Hall [Wallingford]

Student: Jai Midha

**Third Place:** *See Rights and Responsibilities: Citizens, Slaves, Enslavers, and Federal Authority Under the Fugitive Slave Act of 1850*

School: Choate Rosemary Hall [Wallingford]

Student: Kaiyang Chen

**Honorable Mention:** *A Merry Life and a Short One: Pirate Democracy*

School: Amity Regional High School [Orange]

Student: Luca DiSorbo

### Category: Senior Individual Exhibit

**First Place:** *Exploitation Over Rights: The Responsibility to Address Child Labor in America*

School: High School in the Community [New Haven]

Student: Felisha Saint Kitts

**Second Place:** *The Pullman Strike: Workers' Rights vs. Government's Responsibility to Maintain Order*

School: Wilbur Cross High School [New Haven]

Student: Anna Kim

**Third Place:** *Beyond the Factory: Women's Rights and Responsibilities During WWII*

School: High School in the Community [New Haven]

Student: Mya Stettinger

**Honorable Mention:** *One Judge Away*

School: Wilbur Cross High School [New Haven]

Student: Jaydien Calderon

Category: [Senior Group Exhibit](#)

**First Place:** *Southbury Takes on the Nazis*

School: Hamden Hall Country Day School [Hamden]

Students: Linda Chen, Jessie Zheng

**Second Place:** *The Spanish Conquest: The History Behind the Loss of Taino Culture in the Caribbean*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Students: Giada Soto, Mia Rodriguez

**Third Place:** *The Jones Act; Maritime Rights and Responsibilities*

School: Pomperaug Regional High School [Middlebury]

Students: Lincoln Macumber, Alana Drauss-McDaniel

**Honorable Mention:** *From Exclusion to Inclusion: The Luce-Celler Act and its Impact on the Rights of Indian Immigrants*

School: High School in the Community [New Haven]

Students: Janu Patel, Priya Patel

Category: [Senior Individual Documentary](#)

**First Place:** *Timothy Dwight and Slavery*

School: Wilbur Cross High School [New Haven]

Student: Alethea Dinkler

**Second Place:** *To Hold A Heart: The Rights and Responsibility of Medical Officers During the Normandy Campaign, Changing the Field of Cardiovascular Surgery*

School: Pomperaug Regional High School [Southbury]

Student: Payton Pentino

**Third Place:** *School Segregation and Its Affects of the Rights of People of Color*

School: Pomperaug Regional High School [Southbury]

Student: Charis Hubbard

**Honorable Mention:** *Burns: The Hartford Circus Fire*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Student: Grace Lyons

**Category:** Senior Group Documentary

**First Place:** *Legalized Discrimination: Examining the Impact of Nuremberg and Jim Crow on Individual Rights*

School: Engineering - Science University Magnet School [West Haven]

Students: Sahana Bhandary-Alexander, Titiladeoluwa Adeniran

**Second Place:** *Lowell Textile Mills*

School: Wilbur Cross High School [New Haven]

Students: Beata Muench-Nasrallah, Marena Mohammad

**Third Place:** *Leon Brown and Henry McCullom*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Students: Layla Latif, Arrianna Embry Jumao-as

**Honorable Mention:** *Beyond the Diamond: The 1994 MLB Strike and its role in shaping sports*

School: High School in the Community [New Haven]

Students: Ziggy Gleason, Alex Lawrence

Category: Senior Individual Performance

**First Place:** *The Tragic Damming of Hetch Hetchy Valley*

School: Wilbur Cross High School [New Haven]

Student: Isaac Kleppner

**Second Place:** *Informed and Protected: Police Responsibilities*

*Post-Miranda v. Arizona*

School: High School in the Community [New Haven]

Student: Emiliana Torres

**Third Place:** *The Correspondence of Zitkala-Sa*

School: The Academy of Information Technology [Stamford]

Student: Minh Ho

Category: Senior Individual Website

**First Place:** *The Prague Spring: When Rights are in a Crisis, Change is a Responsibility*

School: Amity Regional High School [Woodbridge]

Student: Ruopu (Rob) Huang

**Second Place:** *Korematsu v. U.S. (Japanese Internment)*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Student: Liam Fernandez

**Third Place:** *Congo Free State: Rights and Responsibilities of Colonialism*

School: Hamden Hall Country Day School [Hamden]

Student: Yutong Liu

**Honorable Mention:** *The Seneca Falls Womens Rights Convention*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Student: Giuliana Mcweeney

Category: Senior Group Website

**First Place:** *Betsy Love and the Evolution of Property Rights*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Students: Fatimah Ben Khalil, Millet Masssicotte, Eva Abarca, Sofia Arroyave

**Second Place:** *The Race to Workers Rights: The Ford Hunger March*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Students: Fabio Cardoso, Dallas Autore

**Third Place:** *The Role of female Activist during the Civil Rights*

*Movement: Ella Baker's grassroots campaign*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Students: Hailey Munroe, Ledina Kjura, Atidje Kjura

**Honorable Mention:** *Witches in Wethersfield*

School: Naugatuck High School [Naugatuck]

Students: Angello Palencia, Bruce Jimenez