

2023 Washington History Day State Contest Special Award Winners

Award	Student(s)	Title	School	Teacher(s)
Naval Order of the US, Pacific Northwest Commandery – Naval History Award	Finn Bould, Mia-Theresa Hadelich, Tyler Hail, Clark Kirkman	<i>Passing the Pole: The groundbreaking trip of the USS Nautilus</i>	Kamiakin Middle School	Marcy Martin
Lyle L. Nelson Research Award – Junior Division (Naval History)	Kara Doughty	<i>Robert Smalls: Navigating Beyond the Frontier of Slavery</i>	Chief Umtuch Middle School	Beth Doughty
National Maritime Historical Society Award – Junior Division First Place (Maritime History)	Oviya Raja	<i>The Panama Canal: Carving a Path Through the Frontier</i>	Skyview Middle School	Nicole Maleki
National Maritime Historical Society Award – Junior Division Second Place (Maritime History)	Alethea Basri, Rylee Turner	<i>The Exploration of the Mariana Trench: How Humanity Crossed the Frontier of the Depths</i>	Northshore Middle School	Corey Martin
National Maritime Historical Society Award – Senior Division First Place (Maritime History)	Sarah Bickford	<i>Exploration of Antarctica</i>	The Delta High School	John Keaney
National Maritime Historical Society Award – Senior Division Second Place (Maritime History)	Gavin Belles	<i>The Attack on Pearl Harbor</i>	West Valley Innovation Center	Bradley Liebrecht
Chinese or Chinese American History Award	Calvin Chang	<i>The Murder of Vincent Chin and the Activism that Crossed Frontiers in Social Justice</i>	Northshore Middle School	Alan Plummer
Chinese or Chinese American History Award	Isabella Guan, Sarah Nie	<i>Chinese Exclusion Act</i>	Kamiakin Middle School	Marcy Martin
Corps of Discovery Award	Sarah Archibald, Alexander Munson	<i>Sacajawea</i>	Liberty Senior High School	Peter Kurtz
Frances Anderson Backus Award (Women’s History)	Andrew Da, Brandon Nie, Bryan Nie	<i>Forgotten Frontiers: The Women Behind the Atomic Bomb</i>	North Creek High School	Rhonda McGee
Dr. Carol Coe Award (Women’s History)	Rebecca Carlson	<i>Wilma Rudolph</i>	Royal Middle School	Emily Ovenell
Janet Barker Footh Memorial Award (Women’s History)	Autumn Kern	<i>The Fight for the Franchise: How Women of Color Faced the Frontier of Gender Equality</i>	Mt Spokane High School	Luke Thomas
Laura B. Gowen Award (Colonial American History)	Kadee Walker	<i>Charters of Freedom: John Locke</i>	Liberty Middle School	Sharon Morgan
William James Bain Jr. Memorial Award (Colonial American History)	Lujia Dong	<i>The Boston Massacre: Propaganda, Viewpoints, and Escalation</i>	Heatherwood Middle School	Samuel Blair

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Representative Ruth Kagi Award (American Government History)	Carlee Catlin	<i>Eleanor Roosevelt: The First Lady of Frontiers</i>	Castle Rock High School	Stephen Hart
Senator Mark Mullet Award (American Government History)	Katie Ng	<i>The FSA Photo Project: Pushing the Frontiers of Photography</i>	Woodinville High School	Kimberly Matthews
Susan and Bart Lynam Award (Strong Leadership in History)	Clara Wyckoff	<i>Clara Barton's Two Frontiers: Using the American Red Cross to Redefine Humanitarian Aid While Working Towards Equality</i>	Prosser High School	Kila Salyers Smith
E Clampus Vitus Award – Junior Division (Local History)	Angelina Keo, Michelle Lee, Jiya Vahkaria	<i>Fife School: Pioneering A New Beginning</i>	Meeker Middle School	John Buchinger
E Clampus Vitus Award – Senior Division (Local History)	Amy Du, Antonia Kwan, Brietta Yi	<i>Nidoto Nai Yoni, "Let It Not Happen Again": Navigating Belonging in the Frontier of Japanese American Identity</i>	Newport Senior High School	Robert Valaas
Washington State Archives Regional/Local History Award (Use of regional/local archives)	Kaitlin Medina	<i>Occupy Fort Lawton! Reclaiming Seattle's Frontier for Tribal Justice</i>	Vancouver iTech Preparatory	John Zingale
Washington State Archives Regional/Local History Award (Use of regional/local archives)	Cooper Haymes, Cora Hoyt, Elijah Macht	<i>Hidden History: Planting a Legacy in Washington</i>	Vancouver iTech Preparatory	John Zingale
State Archivist's Award (Use of State Government archives)	John Bannon	<i>The Seattle Jazz Frontier: The Success of the African American Community in Shaping the American Identity</i>	Tesla STEM High School	Andrew Ivy
Digital Archives Award (Use of digital archives)	Ashlan Chang, Rachel Kelley, Melinda Urban, Risa Wada	<i>Women in Baseball: The All-American Girls Professional Baseball League</i>	Lake Washington High School	Jill Berge and Maik Hollinger
Washington State Historical Society Award – Junior Division (Washington State History)	Drew Mixon	<i>An Examination of Frontierism and Tribal Land Seizures in Washington State</i>	Kopachuk Middle School	Kayla Frank
Washington State Historical Society Award – Senior Division (Washington State History)	Kaitlin Medina	<i>Occupy Fort Lawton! Reclaiming Seattle's Frontier for Tribal Justice</i>	Vancouver iTech Preparatory	John Zingale
Washington State Teen Historian Award (Outstanding Senior Division Competitor)	Aubrey Grier	<i>Politics, Punk, and Empowerment: The Impact of the Riot Grrrl Movement</i>	Prairie High School	Beth Doughty

2023 Washington History Day Teachers of the Year

Award	Winning Teacher	School
Washington History Day Teacher of the Year – Junior Division	Alan Plummer	Northshore Middle School
Washington History Day Teacher of the Year – Senior Division	Scott Barber	Liberty Bell Jr./Sr. High School

2023 Washington History Day State Contest Outstanding Schools

Award	Winning School	Teacher
Washington History Day Outstanding School – Junior Division	Evergreen Middle School	Nicole Kesler
Evergreen Middle School State Contest Students: Tanya Acharya, Ishanvi Agarwal, Ananya Akurathi, Advik Arun, Toprak Celikel, Ankita Datta, Neha Garde, Vivian Gu, Emily He, Arnav Kaja, Surabhi Koundinya, Ila Lu, Katie Meng, Aditya Menon, Keshav Mohan, Kaylin Moon, Abhinav Nandakishor, Arjun Pai, Aashrith Pisupati, Shipra Prajapati, Simon Rashevsky, Akanksha Revuru, Reva Sayana, Ved Singh, Prahalad Talur, Anisha Upasani, Naithik Vutukuru, Grace Zheng, Sixian Zheng, April Zhong		
Washington History Day Outstanding School – Senior Division	Tesla STEM High School	Andrew Ivy
Tesla STEM High School State Contest Students: John Bannon, Bhowal Druhin, Anson Chen, Ziang Chen, Teddy Dong, William Gong, Brooke North, Samantha Novitski, Nakul Rajpal, Saachi Sharma, Prakshi Shukla, Arihant Singh, Cindy Yang, Ethan Yu		