

Northeast 2025 Contest Winner Report

Junior Individual Exhibit

“Alicia Little, Fighting for the Freedom of Feet” – Serenity Hayden (St. John Lutheran)
“KKK Uproar in 1920s Indiana” – Abigail Wallace (St. John Lutheran)

Junior Group Exhibit

“Jim Crow Literacy Tests” – Jacob Hayes, Makayla Murphy, Brie Scott (Tippecanoe Valley Middle School)
“The French Revolution” – Dahlia Rock-Brauer, Sophia Sponseller (Tippecanoe Valley Middle School)
“A Break From Catholicism: King Henry VIII” – Oden Hucks, Bryson Severn, David Walker (Tippecanoe Valley Middle School)
“Japanese Incarceration in the United States” – Mckenna Carter, Caitlyn Farley, Abigail Heckaman, Tessa Rich (Tippecanoe Valley Middle School)

Senior Paper

“Indiana Times vs. KKK: The Line Between Media Rights and Civil Liberties” - Phenix Strahm (DeKalb High School)
“Rights, Responsibilities, and the Legacy of Nepal in the Vietnam War” – Audrey Su (Culver Academies)
“The Pitfalls of The Bracero Program: How the Bracero Program Negatively Impacted the Rights and Responsibilities of People of Mexican Origin.” – Madeline Reeves (Oak Farm Montessori School)
“Rights and Responsibilities Within the Nullification Crisis” – King Lok Wang (Culver Academies)

Senior Individual Documentary

“Beyond the Game: UCLA Trailblazers” – Derek Hale (Oak Farm Montessori School)
“It Doesn’t Add Up: National Pride ≠ Prosperity” – Fyodor Hayden (Oak Farm Montessori School)
“Standing Up for Equality: The 504 Sit-in and Kitty Cone” – Natalie Edwards-Wadkins (Griffith Senior High School)
“Malicious Madness: The Crimes of Mexican Repatriation” – Jeremiah Fuentes (Griffith Senior High School)

Senior Group Documentary

“Purdue Pharma and OxyContin: The Rise of Opioids and the Greed of Man” – Ryan Kochanski, Pierceton Matney, Cooper Routsong (Oak Farm Montessori School)
“Turning a City of Pain into a City of Hope: RFK’s Indianapolis Address on MLK’s Assassination” – Sami Aljabari, Grayson Pettit, Devon Nichols (Oak Farm Montessori School)
“Putting The AL in Alcatraz” – Ryker Elias, Samuel Heineman (Oak Farm Montessori School)

Senior Group Performance

“Paterson Silk Strike” – Fe’ Waithira, Lily Spinola (Columbia City High School)

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Senior Individual Website

“Woman’s Fight for Equality” – Avery Martin (Columbia City High School)

“Crossroads of America: Indiana’s Highway and Interstate History” – Jaxton Routsong (Oak Farm Montessori School)

Senior Group Website

“Rolling Toward Equality: The Red Ball Express and the African American Experience in World War II Military Service” – Luke Bean, Steven Boyd, Jonathon Pratt, Clinton Wolfe (Columbia City High School)

Senior Individual Exhibit

“Castle Bravo: The United State’s Worst Nuclear Test” – Hudson Lindich (Oak Farm Montessori School)

“Gene Stratton-Porter Nature’s Storyteller” – Evelyn Brittenham (Oak Farm Montessori School)

“The True American Heroes” – Nick Mains (Oak Farm Montessori School)

“Stolen Babies” – Lilly Moser (Oak Farm Montessori School)

Senior Group Exhibit

“Displaced & Divided: Native American Removal Act” – Aubrey Dunn, Aryanna Hultman (DeKalb High School)

“Miranda Rights: A Landmark in Protecting Justice & Civil Rights” – Rylee Christlieb, Syra Christlieb, Claire Haber (DeKalb High School)

“Pogo’s Paradox” – Alivia Miller, Ivy Witmer (Oak Farm Montessori School)

“NAWSA: Fighting For Women’s Rights in America” – Delia King, Lilia Whitted (DeKalb High School)

“Disappearing Dune” – Ben Baughman, Alexander Moser (Oak Farm Montessori School)

“Temple Grandin: Changing the World” – Claire Davidson, Lily Witmer (Oak Farm Montessori School)