



## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# American Indian History Prize

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

The American Indian History prize is awarded to outstanding entries that demonstrate the importance of American Indian individuals, organizations, or nations in history, within this year's theme.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

31026 • Sarah Weintraut (Sare-uh Wine-trout)

San Mateo Menlo-Atherton High School

Deconstructing the Western Frontier: The Occupation of Alcatraz and Modern American Indian Activism

Senior Individual Documentary

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21117 • Taylor Conover

• Ahana Deshpande (A-hAA-nAA desh-pAn-de)

• Violet Graham

Alameda William Mendenhall Middle School

"Kill the Indian, Save the Man"

Junior Group Documentary

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**Bessie Reed McDonald Award for Women's  
History**

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**34001** • Surabhi Khanna (sur-bee cuhn-ah)

**Fresno**

**Clovis North High School**

**Deeds, Not Words: How Emmeline Pankhurst  
Expanded the Frontier of Women's Rights**

**Senior Individual Performance**

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# BIPOC Women in History

Sponsored by  
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The BIPOC and Indigenous Women in History Prize will be awarded to an outstanding entry on a woman of color in history. Topics may range from advocacy to political action for women's rights and representation, health care, education, voting reform and more. The sponsor encourages students to examine the role of women of color as leaders, organizers, community members and more through the juxtaposition of traditional and non-traditional historical narratives, such as an absent narrative. Absent narratives are stories and experiences in history that are marginalized and excluded from mainstream history. Entries that challenge mainstream history and look to place women of color in history through critical research and analysis will be considered for this prize. For BIPOC and Indigenous women in history categories for middle school students only. Awards: Two \$150 awards in the Junior Division

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 25109**
- Zixuan Cui (zooshen tzwei)
  - Yongjing Li ("Young" "Jing")
  - Isabelle Yang (iz-uh-bel yay-ng)

Orange

Sierra Vista Middle School

Amy Tan: Pioneering the Chinese American Experience  
in Western Media

Junior Group Website

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# Bushong Award for Social Justice Legacy

Sponsored by  
The Bushong Family

The Bushong Award for Social Justice Legacy honors a junior and senior documentary that effectively uses primary sources to highlight people and events that have led to societal changes or social justice in American history within the time period of 1940-1980.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**31012** • Jenna Hughes (Jen-ugh Hues)

**San Bernardino**      **Etiwanda High School**

**Betty Friedan: Freeing the American Housewife**

Senior Individual Documentary

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**21006** • Peyton Rivera

**Kern**      **Fruitvale Junior High School**

**Shadows of Willowbrook: Uncovering Mental Health's Forgotten Frontier**

Junior Individual Documentary

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# California Experience Documentary Prize

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

California Experience Documentary Prize recognizes a junior and senior division documentary for excellence in documentary filmmaking related to California history. Documentaries that illustrate California's rich history through a variety of source materials, interviews, and film footage will receive special consideration.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 21135** • Aashrita Atmakur (Ah-shreeta At-ma-kur)  
• Andie Arkun (Andy Ar-koon)

Orange

Sierra Vista Middle School

A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood: Mister Rogers, a Pioneer in Children's Education

Junior Group Documentary

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- 31030** • Talon Sotelo (Tal-in So-tell-oh)

Riverside

Martin Luther King High School

Riverside: A Frontier for Citrus in Southern California

Senior Individual Documentary

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# California Historic Places

Sponsored by  
CA Office of Historic Preservation and CA Historical Society

The California Historic Places Award is awarded to a junior or senior entry that focus on a historic site in California.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**31004** • Yuran Jung

[Los Angeles](#)

[North Hollywood High School](#)

Rancho Rodeo de las Aguas: The California Frontier where People's Anguish, Romance, and Myth for its Sacred Land Collided

Senior Individual Documentary

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**35035** • Noah Holm (now-uh howm)

[Riverside](#)

[Moreno Valley High School](#)

The Second Gold Rush: The History and Work of the Citrus Industry in Riverside, California

Senior Individual Website

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## California History

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

Awarded to an outstanding elementary entry that illuminates the history of California.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

10025 • Bijoux Apostolides (Bee-jhew Ah-paus-toll-ee-dez )

San Diego

Francis Parker School

Forging A Frontier: How The Chinese Built San Diego  
And How America Responded

Elementary Individual Poster

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### California History

Sponsored by  
Conference of California Historical Societies

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**32104** • Lindsey Cromar

• Thora Moeller

Los Angeles

El Camino Real Charter High School

Jonestown: Don't Drink the Kool-Aid

Senior Group Exhibit

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**22044** • Angel Ramirez-Peralta (Ahn-gel RA-mee-rez Peh-ral-Tuh)

Humboldt

South Bay Middle School

People, Ideas and Skin Color, Breaking Frontiers: The Brown Berets.

Junior Individual Exhibit

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## California History

Sponsored by  
California Council for the Promotion of History

The California Council for the Promotion of History Award is presented to an outstanding entry on California history that best uses the annual theme.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**33014** • Atishay Lalgudi (Uh - TEE - shay)

**Santa Clara** **Evergreen Valley High School**

**Clara Shortridge Foltz: Portia of the Pacific**

**Senior Historical Paper**

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**26103** • Audrey McCracken

• Eva Guyer (eh-va)

**Humboldt** **North Coast Prep**

**The Golden Age of Hollywood: A Frontier in Hollywood & Film History**

**Junior Group Podcast**

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# California History

Sponsored by  
Conference of California Historical Societies

The Conference of California Historical Societies awards the best junior and senior paper that focus on California History.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**33031** • Ajax Fu (Aye - jacks foo)

**San Mateo** **Menlo-Atherton High School**

Chinese Americans as Perpetual Foreigners: From Yellow Peril to Model Minority and Back Again

Senior Historical Paper

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**23040** • Alan Pham (ah-lin fam)

**Los Angeles** **Temple Intermediate School**

The Third World Liberation Strikes of 1968: How A Student Movement Revolutionized Education Through The Fight For Ethnic Studies

Junior Historical Paper

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# Catalina Pacheco Memorial Award

Sponsored by  
Special Friends of NHD Performance

The Catalina Pacheco Memorial Award is awarded to a winning junior division group performance that demonstrates strong historical inquiry and analysis.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 24107** • Michelle Acosta  
• Arna Banerjee (Ar-Na Banner-JEE)  
• Kaylee Kirk (Kay-lee Kirk)  
• Megan McGinthy (Meh-gan Mic-gin-thee)

**Fresno**

**Alta Sierra Intermediate School**

The Women's Army Corps: How Females WACked  
Their Way Through an Age-Old Military and Gender  
Frontier

Junior Group Performance

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# David Lee Memorial Historian Award

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

The David Lee Memorial Historian Award is awarded to an entry that has special emphasis on historical memory and historiography.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 36119** • Kate Budinger (Kate Budinger)  
• Gina Cline  
• Natalie Fishman  
• Shannon O'Connor (shan nun)

**San Mateo**

**Menlo-Atherton High School**

**A Frontier of Historiography: How The Daughters of the Confederacy Dominated the Retelling of History.**

**Senior Group Podcast**

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# **Dr. Larry W. Sheffield Young Historian's Award**

**Sponsored by  
Mike and Melissa Lawson**

**The Dr. Larry W. Sheffield Young Historian's Award honors an entry on a local or California individual who impact was historically compelling with special consideration given to a project's use of primary sources.**

**Our Winner(s) is/are:**

**26013 • Zoya Khare**

**Santa Clara**

**Khan Lab School**

**The Apollos of Oakland Tech: Celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. and Crossing Frontiers in Inclusion**

**Junior Individual Podcast**

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# Elizabeth Avery Waring Award for Social Justice

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

The Elizabeth Avery Waring Award for Social Justice honors a junior division entry that focuses on social justice topics.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

21016 • Hailey Brennan (hay-lee bren-in)

Orange

Sierra Vista Middle School

Motown Records: Pioneering Black Music  
Representation on the Billboard Charts

Junior Individual Documentary

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# Environmental History

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

The Environmental History Award honors an elementary entries that demonstrates outstanding study and discussion of the history of destruction or conservation of the natural environment. The historic events may be biological, geological, archeological or others that may be shown to be important. Events may be long-term or catastrophic.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 35124 • Leandre' Demers  
• Kai Frimodig

Humboldt

Six Rivers Charter High School

"Basketball Doesn't Build Character, It Reveals": James Naismith

Senior Group Website

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Our Winner(s) is/are:

**25017** • Frankie Holland (Frank-ee Holl-und)

Orange

Irvine Virtual Academy Middle School

A Breath of Fresh Air: How California Became the Birthplace of Frontiers in Clean Air

Junior Individual Website

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### Equality in History

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

The Equality in History Award is awarded to an outstanding entry on history of human equality, especially with respect to the role that individuals and/or organizations have played in the efforts for isolated groups (e.g., LGBT, women, and girls) to have the same status in certain respects, often including civil, voting, and property rights, freedom of speech, marriage and gender equality, and equal access to social goods and services.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

10046 • Rory Faircloth

Sonoma

Madrone Elementary School

Party in the Park: Children's Crusade Opens New Frontier for Civil Rights

Elementary Individual Poster

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22003 • Briana Remigio (bree-a-nuh ree-me-he-yo)

Los Angeles

Fedde Academy

Title IX: Providing Access to the Sports Frontier and Beyond

Junior Individual Exhibit

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## European History

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

The European History Prize honors an outstanding entry that focuses on a European topic with an excellent connection to the annual theme.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**35023** • Anjana Chandrasekhar (En-Jen-Uh Chan-druh-shaker)

**Kern**

**Stockdale High School**

Dr. Archibald McIndoe: How a Medical Pioneer  
Established Groundbreaking Frontiers in Reconstructive  
Surgery

Senior Individual Website

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# SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

## Global Studies Prize

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

Global Studies Student entries should examine how the year's theme relates to the history of an area outside the United States.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 31134 • David Nemec  
• Kaiyue Liu (Kai-y uu eh-Lyoo)  
• Arda Kumbaracı

Marin

San Domenico School

Golden Arches, Hammer & Sickle

Senior Group Documentary

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# History of Indigenous People Prize

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31026 • Sarah Weintraut (Sare-uh Wine-trout)

San Mateo

Menlo-Atherton High School

Deconstructing the Western Frontier: The Occupation of Alcatraz and Modern American Indian Activism

Senior Individual Documentary

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# Immigration in History Prize

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

The Immigration in History Prize recognizes projects that focus on the history of immigration. Students are encouraged to consider topics that are focused on the labor migrants who came to the U.S. between 1880 and 1930s, on the displaced persons who arrived in the U.S. after World War II, and on the refugees resettled in the U.S. after 1975.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 34113** • Sushant Bhopale (Su-SHANT)  
• Supriti Bhopale (Su-PREE-Thi)

**San Mateo**

**Carlmont High School**

**Not Quite White: Pioneer Thind Navigates Racism in the  
Immigration Frontier**

**Senior Group Performance**

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### Individual in History

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

The Individual in History Prize honors an entry that gives special analysis to the contribution of one individual to a topic. Special consideration given to entries that focus on the significance of the leadership of an individual.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

35037 • Ananya Jain (Uh-nun-yuh Jane)

[Kern](#)

[Stockdale High School](#)

Frontiers in Medicine: How Dr. Paul Terasaki's  
Pioneering Inventions Saved Millions of Lives

Senior Individual Website

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# Japanese American National Museum Award

Sponsored by  
Japanese American National Museum

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 21110 • Adalyn Hussey  
• Dawa Stanikzai

Riverside

Lincoln Fundamental Elementary School

Yuri Kochiyama

Junior Group Documentary

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# Labor History Prize

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

The Labor History Prizes recognize projects that focus on the history of organized labor, including advocacy for change in working conditions or the rights of workers. The sponsor of this prize encourages students to examine labor history through a local lens and to research and explore topics in California Labor History.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 31114** • Pauline Yi  
• Angela Martinez  
• Emily Cortez (em-uh-lee)  
• Bella Mokhtari (Bella Mokhtari bell-uh Mahk-tar-EE)

**Los Angeles**      **Van Nuys High School**

**Frontiers in History: Lewis Hine Fights Child Labor through Photography**

Senior Group Documentary

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- 31022** • Sarah Larson  
**San Mateo**      **Menlo-Atherton High School**

**Mother Jones' Fight for Worker's Rights**

Senior Individual Documentary

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- 35130** • Rachel Kim  
• Bernice Hung (Burn-Neece)

**Orange**      **Portola High School**

**“There’s Blood on Those Grapes”: How the Delano Grape Strike Sprouted a Frontier for Working Conditions**

Senior Group Website

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**23035** • Anamarie Garay (Ana-Ma-Ree Ga-ray)

**San Bernardino** **Chavez Middle School**

**“¡Viva La Huelga!”: The Fight for Worker’s Rights**  
**Junior Historical Paper**

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# LGBTQIA+ Rights in History

Sponsored by  
GLBT Historical Society

The GLBT Historical Society grants an annual Young Scholar Award to an outstanding LGBTQ project in the California competition for National History Day. The GLBT Historical Society operates an archive and museum in San Francisco that preserve one of the largest collections of LGBTQ historical materials ever collected. The Society is honored to support this Award and the young scholars who are exploring our vast queer past.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 21128 • Sophia Villanueva (So-fee-ah)  
• Soledad Gonzalez Lopez (So-leh-dad)

Monterey

Seaside Middle School

Finding the Beginning of the Rainbow: The Stonewall Riot

Junior Group Documentary

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# LGBTQIA+ Rights in History

Sponsored by  
Our Family and One Archives

The LGBTQIA+ Rights in History Prize honors historical scholarship focused on the history of the LGBTQIA+ community. The sponsors encourage students to examine the role of the LGBTQIA+ as leaders, organizers, community members and more through the juxtaposition of traditional and non-traditional historical narratives, such as an absent narrative. Absent narratives are stories and experiences in history that are marginalized and excluded from mainstream history. Entries that challenge mainstream history and look to place the LGBTQIA+ community in history through critical research and analysis will be considered for this prize.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 21134 • Elisabeth Kvezereli (E-liz-a-beth Ka-ve-za-re-lee)  
• Amelie Bellemans (AAH-mei-lee)  
• Tvisha Prasad  
• Camille Wang

**Santa Clara**

**Castilleja School**

**Harvey Milk: The 1970's Jumpstart Into LGBTQ+ Politics**

Junior Group Documentary

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- 35103 • Bhargav Shriram (bar-gahv shree-rahm)  
• Logan King

**Alameda**

**American High School**

**"Hope Will Never Be Silent:" Harvey Milk's Crusade for LGBTQ+ Rights**

Senior Group Website

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# Medicine in History

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

The Medicine in History Prize is awarded to an outstanding entry with a medical topic that focuses on the contributions of the field of medicine with special consideration given to projects that include ethics, multiple perspectives, and diverse primary sources.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**21027** • Mahima Wuppalapati (ma-HEE-ma woo-pa-la-PAA-ti)

Orange

Beacon Park K-8 School

Germ Theory: How an Idea Revolutionized the Medical Field

Junior Individual Documentary

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**SPECIAL AWARDS**  
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**National Maritime Historical Society Award - First Place**

Sponsored by  
National Maritime Historical Society

First Place

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**35029** • Nathan Lee

**Riverside**

**Martin Luther King High School**

**The Frontiers of the Panama Canal: Exploring New Technology in Medicine and Engineering**

Senior Individual Website

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**23020** • Julien Hermans

**Monterey**

**All Saints Day School**

**The Ironclad: Frontiers in Naval Warfare**

Junior Historical Paper

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**SPECIAL AWARDS**  
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**National Maritime Historical Society Award -  
Runner up**

Sponsored by  
National Maritime Historical Society  
Prize for entry with maritime history emphasis.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**33001** • Alex Song

**Monterey**                      **Stevenson School**

**At the End of the New World: Vasco Nunez de Balboa  
at the Frontier of European Exploration**

Senior Historical Paper

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**22042** • Vishnu Satyanarayana      (Vish-noo Satya-na-ra-ya-na)

**Contra Costa**                      **Gale Ranch Middle School**

**Stargazers of the Sea: Polynesian Conquest of the  
Pacific Frontier**

Junior Individual Exhibit

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### Science in History

Sponsored by  
California Foundation for History Education

The Science in History Prize is awarded to outstanding elementary entry on scientific topics.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

10024 • James Phillips

Los Angeles

Towers Elementary School

The Campout That Pulled America Towards the Frontier  
of Environmentalism

Elementary Individual Poster

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# Social Justice and Diversity

Sponsored by  
California Council for Social Studies

The Social Justice and Diversity Prize is awarded to entries that analyze topics on social justice and diversity.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**32024** • Neyr-res Bartoo (Nah-res)

**Humboldt** **McKinleyville High School**

The American Indian Religious Freedom Act: Paving the way Toward Tribal Sovereignty

Senior Individual Exhibit

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**22103** • Sofia Jackson (so-FEE-uh JAK-sun)

• Madison Khang

• Kelli Toshima (KE-lee toh-SHI-ma)

• Anna Yi (Anna Yee)

**Orange** **Sierra Vista Middle School**

Title IX: Pioneering Access to Women's Education and Athletics

Junior Group Exhibit

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# Stephenson Family Award for Sports History

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

Our Winner(s) is/are:

- 36105** • Brooklyn Walker  
• Olivia Barba  
• Madison Land

Riverside

Martin Luther King High School

Title IX: Frontier to Women's Acceptance in College Sports

Senior Group Podcast

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# Technology in History

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

The Technology in History Prize is awarded to an outstanding entry that focuses on the contributions of technological advances, with special consideration given to projects that include ethics, multiple perspectives, and diverse primary sources.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

21125 • Bryant Johnson (Bri-ant John-son)  
• Milo Kalandiak

Los Angeles Wish Community School

The Revolutionary Impact of the ENIAC  
Junior Group Documentary

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# The Environment in History

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Friends of NHD-CA

The Environmental History Award honors an elementary entries that demonstrates outstanding study and discussion of the history of destruction or conservation of the natural environment. The historic events may be biological, geological, archeological or others that may be shown to be important. Events may be long-term or catastrophic.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

10032 • Alekha Goldberg (Ah-LAY-ka GOLD-berg)

Kern

Peak to Peak Charter School

America's Oldest Park Ranger Crosses Frontiers for  
Unheard Voices

Elementary Individual Poster

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San Mateo

Menlo-Atherton High School

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Senior Individual Documentary

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# Turning Points in History

Sponsored by  
Friends of NHD-CA

The Turning Points in History Prize is awarded to an outstanding project on a topic that is a significant turning point in history, with special emphasis to projects that include diverse primary sources, multiple perspectives, and long term impact.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

35017 • Nora Maung (no-ra m-ow-ng)

San Bernardino Upland High School

Human Rights vs Sovereignty: The United Nations and the Creation of the New International Frontier

Senior Individual Website

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## SPECIAL AWARDS 2023 National History Day - CA

# William E. Geary Award for Military History

Sponsored by  
Law Office of Steven M. Olson

The William E. Geary Award for Military History honors an entry that is focused on military history, with special consideration given to research that includes multiple perspectives, primary sources, and the experience of the individuals impacted by the topic.

Our Winner(s) is/are:

**35004** • Nagyung Cho (Na-gyung A-na Ch-o)

Orange

Northwood High School

Clara Barton and the American Red Cross: Pioneering Frontiers in Veteran Healthcare

Senior Individual Website

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