

**NYSHD State Contest 2023**  
**National Qualifiers and State Finalists**  
**Monday, April 24 | SUNY Oneonta**

Congratulations to our National qualifying individuals and teams, state finalists, and all students who participated in NYSHD 2023!

Please reach out to [nyshd@nhd.org](mailto:nyshd@nhd.org) with any questions!

*Please note: categories that did not have a runoff will not list state finalists.*

**Performance Category**

**Junior Individual Performances**

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *Susan Ahn Cuddy; The Pioneering Woman who Broke the Glass Ceiling for Asian American Women in the Military* by Sahana Sundar | Jericho Middle School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Margaret Sanger, Trailblazer of Birth Control* by Cristi Kim | Paideia School 15

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Phyllis Schlafly and the ERA: Preserving the Frontier of Traditional Gender Roles* by Sunidhi Ajmera | Wheatley School

**Junior Group Performances**

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *"In Nature, Nothing Exists Alone:" DDT on Trial* by Gabriel Oscher, Lucas Hayes, Una Joy Hornick, Wyatt Simpson | The Speyer Legacy School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Fashion and Feminism: The Doll who Started it All* by Harleigh Rockfeld, Madalyn Duffy | Wheatly School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Katherine Johnson: Do what you love* by Elena Lovett, Layla Diaz, Miranda Bryant, Mya Wilder-Soules, Rosalie Stephens | Buffalo Academy for the Visual and Performing Arts

**Senior Individual Performances**

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *The Abraham Lincoln Brigade: The First Desegregated American Fighting Force* by Iago Macknik-Conde | Homeschool

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Abolition: Douglass and Garrison's Philosophical Frontiers* by Tobias Oyaniran | Stuyvesant High School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Deeds Not Words: Emmeline Pankhurst and the Frontier on Women's Suffrage* by Emmeline Zuba | Green Meadow Waldorf School

**Senior Group Performances**

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *David Sarnoff: The Visionary of the Television Frontier* by Carol Hon, Dylan Ma, Lucas McGarvey, Vanessa Chen, William Tang | Stuyvesant High School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Frontiers in Vienna: Voices of the Virtuosos* by Catalin Wong, Kaylee Luo, Preston Chan | Herricks High School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *The Chinese Experience on Angel Island: The Frontier That Makes or Breaks One's Life* by Genevieve Gorain, Ziyue Wang | Homeschool

## Documentary Category

### Junior Individual Documentaries

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *Julia Child: The French Chef who Pushed the Culinary Frontier for American Cooks* by Ava Hutman | Manhattan Day School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Pearl Kendrick, the Pioneering Researcher Who Ended a Deadly Plague* by Jay Patel | Jericho Middle School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *The EPA Revolutionizing Environmental Regulation* by Anika Bhupati | Farnsworth Middle School

**State Finalist:** *The Last Wild Places: Our National Parks and the Conservation Frontier* by Michael Rivera | Felix Festa Determination Middle School

### Junior Group Documentaries

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *Dr. Pap: Pioneer in Early Cancer Prevention* by Alexander Lambert, Ava Konstantinidis, Bill Tsimbikos, Diamantis Katsipoutis, Love Lee | Hellenic Classical Charter School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Challenging the Frontier of Medical Ethics: The Story of Karen Ann Quinlan* by Jack Basner, Jaiden George, Yash Shah | Willets Road School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Mahatma Gandhi: The leader of leaders* by Vinayak Ramakrishnan, Vishnu Ramakrishnan | Felix Festa Determination Middle School; Felix Festa Achievement Middle School

**State Finalist:** *The Rise on the Racial Frontier – the Story of Jackie Robinson* by Emmett Ferguson, Sharo Karim | Felix Festa Determination Middle School

### Senior Individual Documentaries

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *Little Rock: A Frontier of the Global Cold War* by Lawson Wright | Horace Mann School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *The Camera as a Sword: Asian American Representation in Corky Lee's Photography* by William Ling-Regan | Poly Prep Country Day School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Chaim Rumkowski: Leading a Frontier in Human Survival* by Madeline Lescott | Bronxville High School

**State Finalist:** *Las Arpilleras: Threads of Protest* by Chloe Holub | Bronxville High School

### Senior Group Documentaries

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *New Deal Pioneer: How Frances Perkins Paved the Way for Women's Empowerment in Politics* by Henry Zhang, Ryan Wang, Tianjiao Wang | Jericho Senior High School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Fritz Haber: Fueling Population and Warfare* by Amy Villanueva, Linnea Hentschel, Lux Burgin, Madelyn Williams | Bronxville High School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *The Little Rock Nine: Pioneers in Desegregation* by Amanda Cisse, Ashley Yang, Eva Blyakherov, Zoe Grossman | Stuyvesant High School

**State Finalist:** *A Frontier for Freedom: The African National Congress and their Fight Against Apartheid* by Liyana Zaman, Nafessa Malhi, Nora Hoque, Sarah Asgar, Shivani Kapoor | Herricks High School

## **Exhibits Category**

### **Junior Individual Exhibits**

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *You Press the Button and We Do The Reset; The Eastman Kodak Company's Frontier in Bringing Photography to the Masses* by Emilia Teodorczuk | Bronxville High School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Equal Opportunities by Mail: How the Sears, Roebuck Catalog Crossed Frontiers in the Consumer World* by Emerson Dennis | Bronxville High School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *The Lavender Scare: A Reality that Sparked a Frontier for Gay Rights* by Abi Andreoni | Henry L Stimson Middle School

**State Finalist:** *Henrietta Lacks: The Frontier of the Immortal Cell Line* by Georgiana Almiroudis | Wheatley School

**State Finalist:** *NYC's Blazing Revolution* by Gabrielle Apisa | PS/IS 104 Fort Hamilton School

**State Finalist:** *Transcontinental Railroad: Shaping the American Frontier* by McKenna Barrett | Homeschool

### **Junior Group Exhibits**

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *Norman Borlaug and the Green Revolution: A New Frontier in Agriculture* by Alexander Yee-Chan, Logan Hamilton | Willets Road School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Daniel Ellsberg: Pioneering the First Amendment* by Arielle Katz, Mikaela Kleiman, Miri Berman, Rachel Zimmerman, Sara Ostreicher | Hebrew Academy of Long Beach

**Third Place, Alternate:** *"Nobody, but nobody, will stop breathing on me!": Virginia Apgar and the Apgar Score* by Anika Bhat, Julia Ezer | Felix Festa Character Middle School

**State Finalist:** *Mary Mallon, Superspreader: Breaking Through Medical Frontiers for Infectious Disease Control* by Celine Cheung, Kaitlyn Chun, Sophia Sacoulas | Jericho Middle School

**State Finalist:** *Space: The Final Frontier of the "New Frontier"* by Achint Kaur, Isabelle Kan | Jericho Middle School

**State Finalist:** *Fierce Flying Female Frontiers* by Madigan Regan, Sofia Estevez | Akron Middle School

### **Senior Individual Exhibits**

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *The Frontiers of Art in New York City, 1972-1989: Hip Hop, Graffiti, and the Fight Against Poverty, Racism, and AIDS* by Mae Cohen | Fayetteville-Manlius Senior High School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Mendez v. Westminster: Challenging Latino Segregation in the U.S.* by Benjamin Goihman | Stuyvesant High School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *The Legacy of Upton Sinclair: Navigating the Frontier of Industrial America* by Kikyo Makino-Siller | Stuyvesant High School

**State Finalist:** *Steve Biko: Frontier in South Africa* by Ruby Hoffman | Huntington High School

**State Finalist:** *Don't Ask, Don't Tell: The Cataract Hotel's Underground Role in the Abolitionist Movement* by Molly Sheehan | City Honors School at Fosdick Masten Park

**State Finalist:** *The Evolution of Slavery Throughout Civilization: From Mesopotamia to the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade* by Travis Hamerling | Bronxville High School

## Senior Group Exhibits

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *The “Curious Chinese Child” Who Dreamed: Anna May Wong a Pioneer in Hollywood* by Emily Zhu, Khushi Patel | Jericho Senior High School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Crossing the Bridge to Brooklyn, Innovation, Prosperity, and Freedom* by Daniel Murdoch, Giles El-Assal, Kaeden Ruparel | Stuyvesant High School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *The Kellogg Company: Revolutionizing the Breakfast Table Through Cereal Advertising* by Abigail Jin, Alan Chan, Cindy Ye, Zoe Chan | Stuyvesant High School

**State Finalist:** *The American Red Cross: Forging the Frontier for Disaster Relief* by Amrik Singh, Dylan Uttamchandani | Herricks High School

## Papers Category

### Junior Papers

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *Breaking the “Saund” Barrier: How Dalip Singh Saund Ushered in a New Frontier of Politics for Indian-Americans* by Aryan Mukherjee | Jericho Middle School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Dynamically Oriented Art Therapy: How Margaret Naumburg Redefined the Frontiers in Psychotherapy and Art Therapy* by Siena Leis | The Speyer Legacy School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Wilhelm Roentgen: How One Man’s Curiosity Created a New Frontier in Medicine* by Zachary Goldberg | Willets Road School

**State Finalist:** *Aerial Fire-Support: The Technological Frontier of the U.S. Army’s First Attack Helicopters* by Sebastian Jew | Bronxville Middle School

### Senior Papers

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *The Contested Wilderness of Hetch Hetchy Valley: Pristine Nature, Public Use, and Private Profit* by Leah Steyn | Rye Country Day School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Building a Home from Diaspora: Making and Remaking the First American Chinatown* by Yan Zhen Zhu | Brooklyn Technical High School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Norman Borlaug, Father of the Green Revolution: Pushing the Frontiers of Agriculture* by Brendan Shek | Jericho Senior High School

**State Finalist:** *The Recreation of Israel: Retaking Middle Eastern Land* by Ava Stock | City Honors School at Fosdick Masten Park

**State Finalist:** *Matushri – Devi Ahilyabai Holkar* by Tanisha Muralimanohar | Homeschool

## Website Category

### Junior Individual Websites

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *Photography Isn’t Painting: Alfred Stieglitz and Straight Photography* by Jasmine Koppel | Howitt School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Elizabeth Van Lew: The Pioneering Female Spy who Helped to Save the Union* by Zihan Wei | Jericho Middle School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire* by Isabelle Deon | Jericho Middle School

**State Finalist:** *Rosalind Franklin and the Secret of Life* by Anita Schiavo | Felix Festa Character Middle School

### Junior Group Websites

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *Harvey Milk: The Political Pioneer* by Charles Park, Enzo DiTeri, Eric Jeon | Jericho Middle School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *The NYC Subway System: A Frontier in Urban Travel* by Christopher Kovios, Samantha Kovios | Wheatley School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Nellie Bly: Opening a Frontier for Women and Redefining Mental Illness through Investigative Journalism* by Anita Bajraktari, Isabella Gjeka | PS 49 Dorothy Bonawit Kole

**State Finalist:** *The Medical Hero Penicillin* by Nehil Joe, Vir Singh | Felix Festa Determination Middle School

### Senior Individual Websites

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *"The Jazz Lieutenant" James Reese Europe: A Frontier Who Revolutionized Jazz in America* by Willow Shi | Emma Willard School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Bacon, Bananas, and Propaganda: How One Man Manipulated All of America* by Janice Zeng | Wheatley School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *Marie Curie: The Pioneer on the Radioactive Frontier* by Aryana Hou | Clarkstown South Senior High School

**State Finalist:** *The World of Tomorrow: Welcoming a New Era of Peace, Progress, and Prosperity* by Chloe Wong | Stuyvesant High School

### Senior Group Websites

**First Place, National Qualifier:** *The Jazz Ambassadors: Playing the Frontiers of American Diplomacy* by Kaitlyn Choi, Madison Choi | Jericho Senior High School

**Second Place, National Qualifier:** *Sojourner, the First Planetary Rover: Changing the Face and Conduct of Space Exploration* by Jowita Walkup, Mary Lee, Mehjabin Rahman, Sophia Zheng | Stuyvesant High School

**Third Place, Alternate:** *The Bay of Pigs Invasion: A New Frontier of Hostility Between the United States and Cuba* by Alan Chen, Christopher Wong | Stuyvesant High School

**State Finalist:** *Frontiers in the Twin Tiers* by Alex McCarthy, Kasmir Rao, Simon Warriner, Zyoung Chen | Canisteo-Greenwood High School