

HEROES FROM HISTORY – YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST - 2019

Rules & Requirements Mormon Heritage Association Inc (MHA)

The rules and requirements for this contest are outlined below. Read the content thoroughly then sign and date where indicated at the end of this form. Contestants must be **age 14 thru 19 years** prior to tour departure (July 27, 2019) and a resident of the United States.

ENTRY DATES, DEADLINES, WINNER NOTIFICATION, PRIZE ACCEPTANCE: Contest **opens January 22, 2019 and closes at 11:59pm, Mountain Daylight Time, February 28, 2019.** Entries must be submitted via email or mail; mail must be postmarked by 11:59pm, Mountain Daylight Time, February 28, 2019. MHA cannot be responsible for lost or misdirected entries. Each winner's first and last names will be **announced on or before March 15, 2019** via MHA's website blog and Facebook page. Each winner will receive, by mail, an official prize acceptance form and must **return the completed**, signed and notarized prize acceptance form to MHA either in person or by mail on or before **April 10, 2019 or forfeit** prize.

ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS: Prepare and submit an essay on the subject: **“Heroes from History – What They Have Done and How I Can Apply Their Heroic Examples to My Life Today and in the Future.”** Include **specific examples** of one or more persons from LDS Church History in the **1800s and/or** from your family history during the **same time period.** Essay body must be a **minimum of 1500 words and not exceed 2500 words.** Essay must include **footnotes** of sources (footnotes are not to be included in total word count).

PRIZE SELECTION: A committee of judges will be made up of MHA staff and long-time supporters, as selected by MHA president. **Winners will be determined based on** the quality of the essay submission (content, originality, grammar, spelling, punctuation, etc) and how well the essay addresses the essay subject. The essay must be the work of the contestant; however, proofreading by and seeking advice from others is allowed (and encouraged). All decisions of the judging committee are final.

PRIZES: MHA expects to award a minimum of 4 prizes. Each prize is one seat on MHA **Missouri to Nauvoo to Winter Quarters tour M98 traveling July 27, 2019 through August 2, 2019.** Prize winner will fly with the group from SLC and back to SLC using airline tickets provided by MHA – or (if more logical) may fly from winner's own city (within the United States) with airline tickets to be arranged by MHA. Arrival airport is Kansas City (MCI) and returning airport is Omaha (OMA). Group will travel with MHA tour guides and an adult chaperone couple, by bus, visiting and learning about LDS historical sites in Missouri (Independence, Richmond, Liberty, Far West, Adam-ondi-Ahman), Illinois (Quincy, Warsaw, Nauvoo, Carthage), and Iowa (Mormon Trail from Illinois thru Garden

Grove, Pisgah, Kaneshville, and Winter Quarters). **Included in tour prize package:** all meals during the tour (except any at airports), lodging (contestant must be willing to be assigned to share hotel rooms with another contest winner or other compatible tour member of the same gender – separate beds provided), airfare with the main group from Salt Lake City (via Southwest Airlines; up to 2 checked bags free) OR from other city in the United States (booked thru MHA), written tour materials, and expert MHA hosting/guide services. **Not included:** any transportation expenses required to join the tour at the Salt Lake City airport (or other airport), any checked baggage fees, any airport meals, souvenirs, personal items, and bus driver tip.

ADDITIONAL TRAVELERS: Prize winners may invite others to join them on the tour at current tour prices and prize winners may opt to room with such person(s) as long as such space remains available on the tour.

PRIZE VALUE: Prize value is determined by actual rooming occupancy during the tour. It is expected that each prize winner will share a room with another prize winner or tour member of the same gender. As outlined above, rooming may be assigned by MHA or winner may choose to room with another person or persons whom the winner knows. If winner shares hotel rooms with one other person, prize is valued at \$1450. If sharing hotel rooms with 2 other people, prize is valued at \$1368. If sharing hotel rooms with 3 other people, prize is valued at \$1300. If winner rooms alone, prize is valued at \$1645.

ELIGIBILITY & RESTRICTIONS: Contestants must be **age 14 thru 19 years** prior to tour departure (by July 27, 2019) and a resident of the United States. No purchase necessary. Only one prize per contestant will be awarded. Family members of employees and MHA tour guides are eligible to participate and contest entries will be under the same scrutiny as every other entry.

ENTRY SUBMISSION: All contestants must submit -

- “Heroes from History - Youth Essay Contest” form (**this form**), signed and completed, and
- Essay, per instructions, herein.

Form and essay to be submitted either by email info@mormonheritage.com or by mail Mormon Heritage Association, 2367 W Goldenpointe Way, West Jordan, Utah 84088.

TRANSFERABILITY OF PRIZE: Prize of a seat on the designated tour, as outlined herein, is non-transferable. If winner is unable to attend this tour, winner forfeits the prize. MHA may, at its discretion, select another contestant to receive the. No prize substitutions, assignments, transfers, or cash equivalents will be awarded. MHA reserves the right to change tour prize date, if absolutely necessary.

TAXES: All taxes relative to the prize package are the sole responsibility of the winner. Winner must submit personal information, when requested, to MHA for any documentation required. MHA will issue a **tax form 1099** for reporting purposes.

RIGHTS OF USE: By entering the contest, you give MHA permission to use your name and essay (or any portions thereof) in any promotional or marketing materials. Prize winners who accept the prize will be additionally required to give consent to MHA to use their name and likeness in any promotional or marketing materials.

ODDS OF WINNING, NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: MHA estimates the number of participants to be 30 contestants. If such is the case, odds of winning: 4/30.

PARTICIPATION: By participating, all entrants acknowledge and agree that they have entered the contest of their own free will, that the full rules and details of the contest have been made available to them in writing and they therefore understand and agree that MHA, its agents, affiliates, representatives, or employees do not have any liability with respect to any loss or damages arising out of acceptance and use of a prize. By entering this contest, participants agree to be bound by these rules. To enter, participant must have the signed consent of **at least one parent or legal guardian** (see below).

I confirm that I have read and thoroughly understand the Rules and Requirements of this contest and agree to abide by them as stated, herein.

Contestant Signature _____ Date _____

Name of contestant
(print clearly) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Email: _____

Birth date: (alpha month) _____ (date) _____ (year) _____

Parental/Guardian Permission to Enter Contest:

I hereby consent to my son/daughter/ward entering the MHA Essay Contest as outlined herein and agree to the terms. *At least one parent or legal guardian MUST sign.*

Parent #1 Signature

Parent/Guardian #2 Signature