

HEROES FROM HISTORY – YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST - 2017

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 bottom of this form.

ENTRY DATES, DEADLINES, WINNER NOTIFICATION, PRIZE ACCEPTANCE: Contest **opens January 14, 2017 and closes at 11:59pm, Mountain Daylight Time, February 14, 2017.** Entries must be submitted via email or mail; mail must be postmarked by 11:59pm, Mountain Daylight Time, February 14, 2017. MHA cannot be responsible for lost or misdirected entries. Each winner's first and last names will be **announced on or before March 10, 2017** 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 **March 31, 2017 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. All decisions of the judging committee are final.

PRIZES: MHA will award a minimum of 4 prizes. Each prize is one seat on MHA **Palmyra to Kirtland tour N74 traveling June 19 through 24, 2017.** Prize winner may 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 Buffalo/Niagara (BUF) and returning airport is Cleveland (CLE). Group will travel with an MHA tour guide, by bus, visiting and learning about LDS historical sites in New York (Palmyra, Mendon, Cumorah, Fayette, Colesville, Bainbridge), Pennsylvania (Harmony, Erie), and Ohio (Kirtland, Mentor, Fairport Harbor, Hiram). **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 (with MHA approval), written tour materials, and expert MHA hosting/guide services. **Not included:** any transportation or other expenses to travel to airport to join the tour at the Salt Lake City airport (or other airport), any checked baggage fees, any airport meals, souvenirs, personal items, bus driver tip, and **current passport** (required at the border crossing to Canada).

ADDITIONAL TRAVELERS: Prize winners may invite others to join with 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. Winners must notify MHA immediately upon such decision giving at least 50 days' notice prior to tour departure.

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 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 \$1599. If sharing hotel rooms with 2 other people, prize is valued at \$1487. If sharing hotel rooms with 3 other people, prize is valued at \$1415. If winner rooms alone, prize is valued at \$1851.

ELIGIBILITY & RESTRICTIONS: Contestants must be **age 14 thru 19 years** prior to tour departure (June 19, 2017) 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 prize and will announce such prize as outlined above. No prize substitutions, assignments, transfers, or cash equivalents will be awarded.

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.

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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 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 50 contestants. If such is the case, odds of winning: 4/50.

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.

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) _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____
Email: _____
Birth date: (alpha month) _____ (date) _____ (year) _____