



2019–20 Florida History Day

NATIONAL MARITIME HISTORICAL SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

As part of the 2019–20 Florida History Day program, the National Maritime Historical Society (NMHS) is sponsoring a scholarship for a junior-division and a senior-division entry that explores a maritime history topic. Criteria for these prizes are presented below. Recipients will be announced at the Florida History Day Awards Ceremony in Tallahassee on May 5, 2020. For additional information about the Society, go to www.seahistory.org.

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The first-place junior- and senior-division winners will receive a \$150 scholarship; a one-year membership in NMHS, which includes *Sea History* magazine; recognition in the magazine and on www.seahistory.org; and a certificate of achievement. Second-place junior and senior winners will receive the same prizes except the monetary award. The mentoring teacher of the first-place entry will receive a one-year NMHS membership; a two-volume book set titled *Voyages: The Age of Sail* and *Voyages: The Age of Engines*; and magazine and website recognition. The mentoring teacher of the second-place winner will receive the same prizes except the books.

Individual or group entries in any NHD category may apply for the scholarships if they meet the following criteria.

- The entry is advancing to the Florida History Day state contest.
- The entry meets *National History Day Rule Book* guidelines for all categories (pp. 14–19).
- The project represents scholarly and historically accurate research.
- The project topic relates to maritime history and to the 2019–20 NHD theme, “Breaking Barriers in History.” The topic can relate to a person, event, or idea associated with maritime history such as underwater archaeology, ships, ship construction, artifacts, navigation, seafaring, naval operations, or maritime customs.

The deadline for applications is **March 20, 2020**. Entries will be evaluated by a three-person judging team. A scholarship awarded to a group entry will be divided equally among the participating students. Applying for a National Maritime Historical Society scholarship does not prohibit a student(s) from nominating an entry for other Florida History Day special prizes.

To apply for the National Maritime Historical Society Scholarship, send four copies of the NMHS application form, entry process paper, and annotated bibliography to FHD Coordinator. Historical Paper nominees must prepare a process paper relating to their entry based on guidelines in the *NHD Rule Book* (pg. 18).