2015 National History Day in Mississippi Winners

Junior Individual Exhibit

1. Samantha Lee – Colmer Middle School
   “Irena Sendler of the Holocaust”

2. David Crossler – Starkville Homeschool
   “General George Patton: Mechanizing America’s Army”

3. Wilson Burgos – Colmer Middle School
   “The Battle of Trenton”

Junior Group Exhibit

1. Sara Mahmoud, Eric Huey, and Hannah Newsom
   Tupelo Middle School
   “Repent . . . Or Die: The Harsh Realities of the Spanish Inquisition”

Junior Historical Paper

1. Jodi Davis – Gautier Middle School
   “John Harvard”

Junior Individual Documentary

1. Abigail Wiest – Sacred Heart Catholic School
   “USS Kirk: Leadership Amidst Chaos, a Legacy of Survival”

2. Jiggs Fulkerson – Colmer Middle School
   “Cuban Missile Crisis”

3. Amber Grant – Colmer Middle School
   “Newsboys Stop the World: The Leadership and Legacy of the Newsboys’ Strike of 1899”
Junior Group Documentary

1. David Coblentz and Hank Yang
   Armstrong Middle School
   “Ulysses S. Grant: A Legacy of Leadership for Today”

2. Sarah Daniels and Francesca Patawaran
   Tupelo Middle School
   “Elvis Presley: the Journey from Obscurity to Legendary”

Junior Individual Website

1. Amber Means – Gautier Middle School
   “Fritz Haber: Notorious Leader, Noxious Legacy”

2. Amaya Miller – Colmer Middle School
   “Lobotomy: The Scarred”

3. Tori Pullom – Colmer Middle School
   “Jim Jones and the Cult of Jonestown”

Junior Group Website

1. Asia Lamkin, Lauren Johns, and Jaden Martin
   Denham Junior High School
   “Freedom Riders: The Ride for Equality”

2. Joseph Perry and Landon Wiggins
   Trent Lott Academy
   “The Manhattan Project: The Legacy of Robert Oppenheimer”

Senior Individual Exhibit

1. Eric Sparkman – Forrest County Agricultural High School
   “Eracism”
2. Madison Thorton – Forrest County Agricultural High School  
   “Walt Disney: Innovator in Animation, Imagination and Inspiration”

3. Nikki Latham – Starkville Homeschool  
   “The Soul of a Dancer: The Legacy of Maria Tallchief”

**Senior Group Exhibit**

1. Samuel King and Fabian Sepulveda  
   Pascagoula High School  
   “NY Cosmos: Bringing Soccer to America”

2. Courtney Cruthirds, Kaylin Hickman, and Gaby Sumrall  
   Forrest County Agricultural High School  
   “Legacy of a Naval Leader”

**Senior Historical Paper**

1. Ashlyn Simmons – Forrest County Agricultural High School  
   “Fannie Lou Hamer: Political Leadership in the Segregated South”

2. Jonathan Franz – Starkville High School  
   “Colvard, McCarthy and the 1963 Mississippi State Basketball Team: Game Changers in the Fight Against Segregation”

3. Omarr Peters – McComb High School  
   “Unsung Heroes Leading the Way”

**Senior Individual Performance**

1. Casey Jefcoat – Forrest County Agricultural High School  
   “Walt Disney: History in the Making”
Senior Group Performance

1. Noah Martin, Lakeivion Isaac, Israel Coleman, Teyiana Robinson, and Sharon Botley
   McComb High School
   “The Legends and Legacies of the Civil Rights Movement”

2. K.J. Peebles, Keanna Rush, Andria Carter, Traveon Wingo, and Hannah Bennett
   Neshoba County Youth Coalition
   “The Mississippi Man”

Senior Individual Documentary

1. Elmhear Davis – Moore Homeschool
   “Nisei: Fred Korematsu’s Stand for Equality”

2. Hannah Allen – Pass Christian High School
   “The Legacy of the Harlem Renaissance: Leading the Way to Social Change”

3. Hunter Blades – Pascagoula High School
   “The Dixiecrats”

Senior Group Documentary

1. Damion Jordan, Courtney Coney, and Corina Cepeda
   McComb High School
   “All Aboard: A Brotherhood Leadership for a National Legacy”

2. Lavonte Alexander and Jared Little
   McComb High School
   “A Paradise Tainted: Jim Jones and Jonestown”

3. Candice Parris and Kayleigh Patrick
   Forrest County Agricultural High School
   “Give Peace a Chance”
Senior Individual Website

1. Victoria Miller – Pascagoula High School
   “Ryan White: the Fight for Awareness and Equal Treatment of HIV/AIDS Sufferers”

Senior Group Website

1. Cici Zhang and Cameron Maddox
   Starkville High School
   “Unlocking the Secrets of the Universe: The Legacy of Stephen Hawking”

2. Mims Jordan and Preyer Asheian
   Pascagoula High School
   “The White Rose Movement”