New York City History Day 2022
Winning Projects

Junior Individual Documentary
First place
   A Whole Lot of Monkey Business: The Debate over the Teaching of Evolution
   Noam Louzoun from Manhattan Day School
Second place
   Peace Out the Window: Thirty Years War
   Khanh Tran from PS 49 Dorothy Bonawit Kole
Third Place
   The Bold Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki
   Eliel Buskila from Manhattan Day School

Junior Group Documentary
First place
   Shirley Chisholm: Championing Domestic Workers through Debate and Diplomacy
   Joanna Fabian, Lorenzo Guaman, Maria Manouselakis, Cecilia McConaughy, and Ariana Mendez from Hellenic Classical Charter School
Second place
   444 Days that Changed the U.S. – Iran Diplomatic Relations Forever
   Salma Aouissi and Juliette Bonello PS 49 Dorothy Bonawit Kole
Third Place
   The Wagner-Rogers Bill
   Jed Oliner and Mayer Prager from Manhattan Day School

Senior Individual Documentary
First place
   Debating Diplomacy in Space: The Handshake that Reinvigorated the Cold War
   Lawson Wright from Horace Mann School
Second place
   Iran Contra Affair With Ronald Reagan: Presidential Saint or Sinner?
   Arirtha Das from Academy of American Studies
Third place
   The Dayton Accords: American Diplomacy that Ended the War in Bosnia and Brought Peace
   Nicholas Vasilescu from Brooklyn Technical High School
Senior Group Documentary
First place
  *The Yalta Conference: Trials and Tribulations of the Big Three*
  Sofia DeRose and Brooke Klausner from Covent of the Sacred Heart

Second place
  *Where Should Censorship Draw the Line: Japan’s Denial of Women’s Victimization*
  Helen DeFalco, Mary Huerta, and Bianca Lee from Academy of American Studies

Junior Individual Exhibit
First place
  *The Central Park Obelisk: Misguided Diplomacy*
  Alison Wright

Second place
  *The SS St Louis: Failed Diplomacy at Sea*
  Noa Abehassera from Manhattan Day School

Third Place
  *1936 Olympics: A mockery of fair play, inclusion, and equality*
  Mira Saldanha from JHS 104 Simon Baruch

Junior Group Exhibit
First place
  *Nuclear Disaster Meets Government Silence: Chernobyl a Failure of Diplomacy*
  Annielle Malkin and Delilah Weiss from Manhattan Day School

Second place
  *Crisis Averted*
  Valery Carpio, Isabella Forunato, and Martyna Kuzma from PS 49 Dorothy Bonawite Kole

Third Place
  *The League of Nations: How Diplomacy Failed to Prevent WWll*
  Ilana Horwitz and Eve Rechtshaffen from Manhattan Day School

Senior Individual Exhibit
First place
  *“Silence = Death”: The Black Community Against AIDS in NYC*
  Matthew Cantor from Townsend Harris High School

Second place
  *Children Blaze the Path of the Hearts of Nations*
  Jennifer Lai from Brooklyn Technical High School

Third place
  *Rikers Island: A Humanitarian Crisis*
  Sadia Roja from Academy of American Studies
Senior Group Exhibit
First place
The Race and Gender Divide: Women’s Suffrage and Black Women
Tasnim Hossain, Aidan Laurence, Rachel Tan, and Sally Zheng from Townsend Harris

Second place
The Treaties of the US Government and the Sioux Nation
Audrey Lubitz, Ruther Rocker, and Jacob Schles from Brooklyn Technical High School

Third place
The Sea of Teas, Unfairness and Blood
Maimuna Chowdhry and Suji Ng from Brooklyn Technical High School

Junior Papers
First place
World War I: The Failures and Debate on Diplomatic Endeavors
Stanley Yu from JHS 194 William Carr

Second place
The Play of a Former Leader
Lillian Fang from JHS 189 Daniel Carter Beard

Third Place
The Social Repugnance of Gay Marriage: What the Power of Love Can Do
Jaylie Cuevas from PS 71 Rose E Scala

Senior Paper
First place
“To Shape the National Debate:” The Coalition Against Détente Diplomacy 1973 - 1981
Isaiah Glick from The Berkeley Carroll School

Second place
A New Diplomacy: Indigenous Women and the Fight to End Forced Sterilization
June Dorsch from Poly Prep Country Day School

Third place
Ain’t I a Woman: White Feminism and its Obfuscation of Intersectional Oppressions
Caitlin Correia from Brooklyn Technical High School

Junior Group Performance
First place
Debate in Diplomacy: from Ancient Greece to the United Nations
Ari Apergis, Vasiliki Christakos, Alexandra Danas, Michael Skountzos, and Nikoletta Tzanas from Greek School of Plato

Second place
Robert Moses’s Controversial Works
Sophie Muschel and Rebecca Sack from Manhattan Day School
Senior Group Performance
First place
Minor v. Happersett: The Court Case that made the 19th Amendment Possible
Anjelene Lacuas, Carrie Leung, Jessica Lin, Lena Lin, and Julia Xia from Townsend Harris High School

Second place
Browsing the Pages of Asian American History: Silenced Accounts of Injustice Through the Lens of a Marginalized Minority
Nicole Chen, Darin Kim, Erica Lee, and Christine Pak from Townsend Harris High School

Third place
1994 MLB Strike
Jacob Buron, Yoonha Lee, and Diego Shirazi from Academy of American Studies

Junior Individual Website
First place
Liberty vs The Virus: The Controversy Over Vaccine Mandates
Ciara Barta from PS 71 Rose E Scala

Second place
The First Opium War: Opium Trade, Treaty of Nanking
Wingyan Tan from PS 49 Dorothy Bonawit Kole

Third Place
The Elgin Debate: Pilfered or Preserved?
Avi Atik from Manhattan Day School

Junior Group Website
First place
Fritz Haber: The Chemist Who Revolutionized Agriculture and Warfare
Anita Bajraktari and Isabella Gjeka from PS 49 Dorothy Bonawit Kole

Second place
The Debated Legacy of Fritz Haber
Aron Kronenberg, Emanuel Schwartz, and Noam Teitz from Manhattan Day School

Third Place
The Camp David Accords “A Lasting Framework for Peace?”
Nadav Ackerman and Benjy Savenor from Manhattan Day School

Senior Individual Website
First place
International Success and Domestic Failure: The World’s First Female Prime Minister and the Changing of Sri Lanka’s Official Language
Marisa Triola from Poly Prep Country Day School

Second place
West Point: Courage & Controversy
Charlotte Lessar from Convent of the Sacred Heart

Third place
Chernobyl: Igniting Decades of Debates
Pierce Wright
Senior Group Website

First place

*The Korean Armistice (Dis)agreement*
Ian Cho, Anastasia Choo, and Arabelle Choo from Hunter College High School

Second place

*The CITES Convention of 1989: Humans Can’t Play Nice and Elephants Pay the Price*
Rachel Chan, Isabelle Chen, Annie Han, and Gabriel San Juan from Townsend Harris High School

Third place

*Evolving Roles of Consumers: How Direct-to-Consumer Advertising Gained a Foothold in Healthcare*
Michael Babayev, Iyad Elbouanani, and Harshdeep Singh from Townsend Harris High School