

An Invitation to Judge Students' History Fair Projects



The Chicago Metro History Fair, a program of the Chicago History Museum, invites you to **serve as a judge for the 2018 History Fair**. As a judge, you will evaluate historical research projects—documentaries, performances, exhibits, websites, or research papers on topics related to Chicago history produced by local students in grades 6-8 or 9-12.



No previous experience or specialized degree in history or education are necessary. All you need is an appreciation for student effort, an interest in history, and a commitment to quality education. On the day of the History Fair event, you will receive a full orientation and each new History Fair judge will be paired with an experienced judge.



CMHF needs 500 volunteer judges so your participation makes a difference. Please see the many judging opportunities that are available and select the session that works best for you.



Questions? Contact us at 312-799-2153 or historyfair@chicagohistory.org

Chicago**History**Museum

Please complete and return this registration form to CHICAGO METRO HISTORY FAIR JUDGING, 1601 N. Clark St, Chicago, IL 60614 or send to historyfair@chicagohistory.org. Please PRINT:

Name _____

Email _____ Best Phone _____

Full Address _____ City _____ Zipcode _____

How did you hear about History Fair? / Affiliation: _____

I will judge student projects on the following dates:

EXHIBITS, PERFORMANCES, and DOCUMENTARIES

Senior Division-Grades 9-12; Junior Division-Grades 6-8.

Please check **ONLY** the event(s) that you are **COMMITTED** to judging.

Please note the types of projects you prefer to judge at the event:

Exhibits Documentaries Performances No Preference

Saturday, February 24, 2018: Suburban Senior Division

Niles North High School, 9800 Lawler, Skokie, 9:00am - 1:30pm

Saturday, March 3, 2018: City-Wide Senior Division

University of Illinois at Chicago, Student Center, 750 S. Halsted, Chicago, 9:00am - 1:30pm

Saturday, April 7, 2018: Metro Junior Division

Lane Tech High School, 2501 W. Addison (at Western), Chicago

9:00am to 4:30pm (includes long lunch)

Thursday, April 12 2018: Metro Senior Finals (Experienced Judges ONLY)*

Chicago History Museum, 1601 N. Clark St., Chicago, 9:00am to 1:30pm

WEBSITES

Judges will receive an orientation and are assigned five website URLs and a partner online. After individually viewing websites, judges confer over the phone before writing their own evaluations and returning them electronically to CMHF. Total time involved is four to five hours, typically spread over two days.

Senior Division—First Round

Receive project URLs on March 2; Evaluations due by March 10

Junior Division

Receive project URLs on April 3; Evaluations due by April 10

Senior Division—Finals (Experienced Judges ONLY)*

Receive project URLs on April 9; Evaluations due by April 16

RESEARCH PAPERS

Weekday and Evening Sessions at the Chicago History Museum. Judges will receive free admission to CHM on the day of judging.

Please check **ONLY** the session(s) that you are **COMMITTED** to judging. Judges may stay for two sessions on the same day.

SENIOR DIVISION—First Round

Thursday, March 8, 2018: 9am-12pm 1-4pm

Tuesday, March 13, 2018: 1-4pm 5-8pm

Wednesday, March 14, 2018: 9am-12pm 1-4pm

JUNIOR DIVISION

Tuesday, March 27 2018: 5-8pm

Wednesday, March 28, 2018: 9am-12pm 1-4pm 5-8pm

Tuesday, April 3, 2018: 5-8pm

SENIOR DIVISION—FINALS (Experienced Judges ONLY)*

Tuesday, April 10, 2018: 9am-12pm 1-4pm 5-8pm

Tuesday, April 17, 2018: 9am-12pm 1-4pm 5-8pm

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING.

Your information and date/s to judge will be entered into our registration system.

You will receive a confirmation, instructions, and reminders via your email address.

**Experienced judges means only one prior contest which can take place the same year.*