

# 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 2019 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](mailto:historyfair@chicagohistory.org)**

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**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](mailto: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 23, 2019: Suburban Senior Division**

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

#### **Saturday, March 9, 2019: City-Wide Senior Division**

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

#### **Saturday, March 30, 2019: Metro Junior Division**

University of Illinois at Chicago, Student Center, 750 S. Halsted, Chicago  
 9:00am to 4:30pm (includes long lunch)

#### **Wed, April 10 2019: Metro Senior Finals (Experienced Judges ONLY)\***

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

### **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**

**Tuesday, March 5:**  9:30am-12:30pm  1-4pm  5-8pm

**Thursday, March 7:**  9:30am-12:30pm  1-4pm

**Tuesday, March 12:**  5-8pm

#### **JUNIOR DIVISION**

**Tuesday, March 26:**  1-4pm  5-8pm

**Tuesday, April 2:**  9:30am-12:30pm  1-4pm  5-8pm

#### **SENIOR DIVISION—FINALS (Experienced Judges ONLY)\***

**Tuesday, April 9:**  5-8pm

**Thursday, April 11:**  9:30am-12:30pm  1-4pm

**Friday, April 12:**  9:30am-12:30pm  1-4pm

### **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 March 26; Evaluations due by April 2.

#### **Senior Division—Finals (Experienced Judges ONLY)\***

Receive project URLs on April 4; Evaluations due by April 12

*\*"Experienced judge" means you have judged one contest before finals take place.*

## **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.