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## YOUTH HISTORY ESSAYS

The Unitarian Universalist  
Historical Society  
Seeks Original Historical Essays  
Written By YOUTH (ages 12-19)  
on Universalist, Unitarian, or  
Unitarian Universalist History

**Deadline: February 1, 2009**  
**\$350 First Prize, \$150 Second Prize**

First Prize Winner will be published on the Unitarian Universalist Historical Society website, may be published in the Journal of Unitarian Universalist History, will receive a year's membership in the Society and special book prizes, including an autographed copy of Mark Harris' *Historical Dictionary of Unitarian Universalism*.

Second Prize and any additional Honorees will be mentioned in our Newsletter, may be published on the Unitarian Universalist Historical Society website, and will receive a year's membership in the Unitarian Universalist Historical Society. Submitted essays become the publishable property of the Society. Essays for publication may be edited, excerpted, and posted in electronic media as well as printed.

**Youth History Essay Guidelines:** Essays must be original historical work, preferably based on primary sources or documented oral history. (An explanation of documentation, scope, and subjects must be submitted for oral history projects.) The essay is expected to be twelve to fifteen pages, double spaced, 12-point Times font, conforming to MLA or University of Chicago standards of bibliography, footnotes, and other documentary practices. Essays will address a subject, theme, or person in Universalist, Unitarian, or Unitarian Universalist history, pursuing a clear thesis, and identifying how the work is significant in the understanding and pursuit of Unitarian Universalist history. Youth ages 12-19 as of the date of submission are eligible to enter, and must sign the affidavit accompanying this announcement as to their eligibility, and pursuit of scholarship. The affidavit must be submitted attached to their essays. Please note: the affidavit requires the signature of a Minister, Religious Educator, or Congregational President who has read the essay. Essays postmarked after February 1, 2009, will not be considered.

Submit your essay and affidavit on or before February 1, 2009 by mailing it to: The Unitarian Universalist Historical Society, attn: Youth History Prize, 27 Grove St, Scituate, MA 02066. Questions may be directed to the same address or to [ggibson@uuma.org](mailto:ggibson@uuma.org).

Essays will be considered based on their historical merit, style (spelling and grammar count, as well as elegance of speech), documentation and form. Evaluation will be done by a panel of a professional historian, a religious educator, a minister, and a lay reader selected by the Unitarian Universalist Historical Society.

## Submission Cover Page and Affidavit

Name:  
Address line 1:  
Address line 2:  
City:  
State/Province, Zip/Postal Code:  
Phone:  
E-mail:  
Congregation:  
Date of Birth:

Title of Essay:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, submit this essay, attesting to the fact that it is my original work, and is not derived in sum or in part from another scholar's labor. I am eligible to participate according to the terms of the contest.

I agree that my essay may be published in print or electronic format by the Unitarian Universalist Historical Society, with editing as necessary. My identifying information may be associated with the publication and prize announcement process.

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(Applicant's Signature)

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(Signature and title of Minister, Religious Educator, or Congregational President affirming: "I have read this essay and stand by it and this entrant.")