

North Miami Public Library 2017 Black History Month Art and Essay Contest



“South Florida Icons of Black History”

RULES

1. Students may enter art or essay (**one category only**)
2. The art contest is open to students in 6th - 12th grade.
3. The essay contest is open to students in 4th - 12th grade.
4. Art may be 2D or 3D, no larger than 11” by 17”
5. No photographs allowed with the essay.
6. Essays must be original, between 300-500 words, typed, double spaced on (8½” by 11”) paper.
7. All participants MUST have a public library card.
8. All entries MUST be accompanied by an official entry form.

Deadline: Friday, February 17, 2017

Library Closes at 5:00pm

All entries will be awarded
Winners will be announced and
must be present at the:

Black History Month Art and Essay Celebration
Thursday, February 23, 2017 • 6:00pm
North Miami Public Library
835 NE 132nd Street • North Miami, Florida 33161

Art Award Categories

Middle School Art

1st Place - \$100
2nd Place - \$75
3rd Place - \$50

High School Art

1st Place - \$100
2nd Place - \$75
3rd Place - \$50

Essay Award Categories

Elementary Essay

1st Place - \$100
2nd Place - \$75
3rd Place - \$50

Middle School Essay

1st Place - \$100
2nd Place - \$75
3rd Place - \$50

High School Essay

1st Place - \$100
2nd Place - \$75
3rd Place - \$50

Sponsored By:

The North Miami Public Library, The Friends of the North Miami Public Library,
The Oscar Thomas Foundation and The Miami Foundation



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Official Rules and Guidelines

Art Contest: Grades 6-12

Eligibility: Students must be enrolled in grades 6-12 at the time of his/her application and have a public library card.

Entry Dates: Entries must be delivered to North Miami Public Library, 835 NE 132 Street, North Miami, Florida 33161. **All entries must be received no later than 5:00pm** EST on Friday, February 17, 2017.

Entry Forms: Entry forms must be complete, legible, signed by a parent or guardian, and attached to the back of the artwork.

Art Prompt:	Create an art piece inspired by the theme, “South Florida Icons of Black History.”
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Artwork: Student must submit an original, two or three-dimensional artwork using any medium and not larger than 11” by 17”

Essay Contest: Grades 4-5, 6-8, 9-12

Eligibility: Students must be enrolled in grades 4-12 at the time of his/her application and have a public library card.

Entry Dates: Entries must be delivered to North Miami Public Library, 835 NE 132 Street, North Miami, Florida 33161. **All entries must be received no later than 5:00pm** EST on Friday, February 17, 2017.

Entry Forms: Entry forms must be complete, legible, signed by a parent or guardian, and attached to the essay.

Essay Prompt:	Tell the story of one person you feel has made great contributions to South Florida Black History and why?
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*** Be sure to cite your sources.***

Essay and labeling: Essays must include student’s name, phone number, school, grade level, title of the essay and word count. Essays must be in English, between 300 - 500 words in length, typed , double spaced on (8½” by 11”) paper.

KEEP THIS FORM FOR INFORMATION

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Art Contest Checklist

- Artwork
- Completed, legible entry form
- Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian
- Application must be received by North Miami Public Library by **5:00 p.m. EST** on **Friday, February 17, 2017**. Emailed and faxed entries will not be accepted.

Essay Contest Checklist

- Responds appropriately to prompt, not longer than 500 words
- Typed, double spaced, in English, on 8½ by 11 inch paper, sources cited.
- Title of essay, word count
- Student's name, phone number, school name, and grade level
- Completed, legible entry form
- Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian
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Celebrating Black History Month 2017

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Official Entry Form

**No Essays or art will be accepted after the February 17, 2017 deadline.
NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!**

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Printed Name: _____ Grade: _____

Title of the Entry: _____ Age: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Parent's Daytime Phone: _____

Parent's email address: _____ Additional Phone: _____

Name of School: _____

PARENTAL RELEASE AND UNDERSTANDING

I, the undersigned, am the legal parent/ guardian of _____. I give the sponsors of the Black History Month Art & Essay Contest permission to use the entry, photographs, video and/or likeness of my child in connection with advertising, promotions, publicity or news coverage of this event/competition. In doing so, I understand that this information will be open to public view. Additionally, this is my child's original work and I fully understand the rules of this contest and have reviewed them with my child.

Printed Name of Parent

Signature of Parent

Date

Library Use Only

Public Library Card: Yes ___ No ___ Name/Branch of Library _____ Verified by _____

