

Local students compete in history fair

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A large group of students from schools in Hyde Park competed in the Illinois History Fair, May 2, in Springfield.

The fair, which is hosted by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, took place at the Prairie Capital Convention Center in Springfield, Ill. State fair winners will go on to the National History Day competition hosted by the University of Maryland Sunday, June 9 through Thursday, June 13.

Students from Kenwood Academic Center, 5015 S. Blackstone Ave.; the Ancona School, 4770 S. Dorchester Ave.; Akiba-Schechter Jewish Day School, 5235 S. Cornell Ave.; University of Chicago Lab Schools, 1362 E. 59th St. and University of Chicago Woodson Middle School, 4444 S. Evans Ave., competed in the Illinois History Fair in the Senior Division (high school) or the Junior Division (6th through 8th grades).

Documentaries Seniors Division:

Maddie Rafkin and DJ Smith, University of Chicago Lab Schools High School, "The American Medical Association"

Exhibits Junior Division:

Brianna Allen, University of Chicago Woodson Middle School, "Architectural Preservation"

Ruben Coronel, The Ancona School, "Atom Spies: How Soviet espionage accelerated the nuclear arms race"

Nia Parker, University of Chicago Woodson Middle School, "Chicago Rust Belt"

Hannon Wilson, Kenwood Academic Center, "Chicago's First Skyscraper"

Sara Gardner, The Ancona School, "Ed

Garner's Mission"

Caleb Millikan, The Ancona School, "The 1919 Chicago Black Sox: Corruption or Rebellion"

Danielle Calloway, Kenwood Academic Center, "The Chicago Housing Authority: An Unintended Disaster"

Documentaries Junior Division:

Gabrielle Roitman, Akiba-Schechter Jewish Day School, "A New 'Page' in History"

Sydney Davis, Kenwood Academic Center, "Black Diamonds"

Maxine Aguilar, Kenwood Academic Center, "Racism in High School Swimming," Lilit Matar, Akiba-Schechter Jewish Day School, "Sears Roebuck and Co. Home Kits"

Gonzalo Higuero and Xavier Hall, Kenwood Academic Center, "World's Fair"

Research Papers Junior Division:

Zev Goldberg, Akiba-Schechter Jewish Day School, "A History Divided"

Hope Rogers, Kenwood Academic Center, "Folk Music"

Leah Finkielsztein, Akiba-Schechter Jewish Day School, "Free Speech For All"

Shmuel Gutman, Akiba-Schechter Jewish Day School, "The Summerdale Scandal Police Corruption"

Websites Junior Division:

Ireon Roach, Kenwood Academic Center, "Chicago Corrupt"

Mariah Helm and Anna Dennis, Kenwood Academic Center, "Manhattan Project"

Eva Lewis, Kenwood Academic Center, "South Shore Country Club"

Pierce Albert, Kenwood Academic Center, "White Castle"

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