Fair Housing Month Student Contest Rules and Regulations



Purpose

To create awareness among young adults about the importance of fair housing, and of providing equal housing opportunities to all people regardless of their race, color, religion, age, gender, national origin, disability, familial status, sexual orientation, marital status and gender identity or expression. The contest also aims to educate youth about the problems relating to housing discrimination and elicit their thoughts, comments, and suggestions on ways to solve the problem through artist expression.

General Contest Information

- 1. The contest is open to all public, private, and home schooled students within Palm Beach County.
- Poster contest entries will be accepted from grades 3 through 8; entries for the essay contest will be accepted from grades 6 through 12; entries for the video contest will accepted from grades 9 through 12.
- 3. Students may participate by submitting an entry on this year's Fair Housing Month theme, "50 Years: Continue the Dream of Fair Housing". Only one entry per student for each category may be submitted. Thus, a middle school student may submit an essay and poster and a high school student may submit an essay and a video.
- Entries must be received no later than Friday, March 30, 2018 at 5:00p.m. Entries should be sent to:

Renee Sandel

Realtors of the Palm Beaches & Greater Fort Lauderdale

1 Harvard Circle

Suite 102

West Palm Beach, FL 33409

1. A first, second and third place winner will be chosen from each grade level and category of the contest.

Prizes grades 3 through 8 are as follows:

First Place: \$100

Second Place: \$50

Third Place: \$25

For Grades 9 through 12:

First Place for the Essay Category will be a Tablet/First Place for the Video Category will be a Tablet

Second Place for Essay: \$50/Second Place for Video: \$50

Third Place for Essay: \$25/Third Place for Video: \$25

- 2. Each participant will receive five (5) Community Service Hours for each entry submitted.
- 3. Posters will be displayed on-line at the sponsors' web sites during the judging period.
- 4. Winners will be notified by Monday, April 9, 2018 and prizes awarded at a reception held on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Realtors Association located at:

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- 5. All entries become the property of the Realtors® of the Palm Beaches & Greater Fort Lauderdale, and used in press releases, displays and exhibits to promote fair housing in Palm Beach County.
- 6. Questions about the contest may be referred to: Renee Sandel, Realtors® of the Palm Beaches & Greater Fort Laurderdale at (561) 727-2791.

Poster Contest Rules:

- 1. Poster must measure 8 ½ x 11 inches or larger. Artwork can be done horizontally or vertically.
- 2. Use of poster paper, poster board or heavy hard stock paper only. NO FOAM CORE BOARDS PLEASE
- 3. Collages are not acceptable. Do not paste or glue objects to poster All art work must be hand drawn.
- 4. Poster should be colorful using paint, magic markers, or crayons. Plain pencil is considered unfinished.
- 5. Posters must depict this year's Fair Housing Month theme:

"50 Years: Continue the Dream of Fair Housing"

- 6. <u>Do not write name on front of poster</u>. Each poster is required to have a registration form taped to the **BACK** of the poster's upper right hand corner neatly typed or printed.
- 7. Any poster not following rules will be disqualified.
- 8. The winners will be determined by a panel of judges. Judges will consist of RAPB + GFLR Realtors®, elected officials or other community members. Criteria for judging: adherence to the theme, creativity, appeal, neatness and reproducibility.

Essay Contest Rules:

- 1. Essays should not exceed 250 words, and should not deviate from the theme: "50 Years: Continue the Dream of Fair Housing".
- 2. All essay entries must be typed or neatly written, double-spaced, and must include a registration form which should appear on the back of the first page, upper right hand corner. **Do not write name on front of the essay.**
- 3. Essays will be judged on the following criteria: content, originality, grammar, organization and style.
- 4. Essay contest winners will be given the opportunity to read their essays at the awards reception.

Video Contest Rules:

- 1. Videos submitted should be exactly 24 seconds in length, and should not deviate from the theme: "50 Years:

 Continue the Dream of Fair Housing."
- 2. Videos should be provided to RAPB in a DVD/mini-DVD (formats .wmv, .mov, .flv or .dvi) with a registration form affixed to the front of the case. The video should address the intended audience (students) in a clear, creative and compelling style.
- 3. Demonstrate technical proficiency in lighting, sound, and camerawork.
- 4. Demonstrate creative proficiency in delivering the intended message.
- 5. The video selected must be suitable and appropriate for a classroom setting, a broadcast for television, website and other media (no inappropriate language, violence, glamorizing smoking or depiction of trademarks).
- 6. Submissions should be accompanied by appropriate paperwork including talent and media release (available on our website), cast and crew list.
- 7. If more than one person produces the video, prize money is split between those parties.
- 8. The winning video may be broadcast on educational networks and PBC TV Channel 20 and played at the awards reception. It may also be used on the sponsors' websites as an educational tool.

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE TAPE ON BACK OF EACH ENTRY

(Please make sure information is legible and complete or student may be disqualified)

Name:	
Age: Grade:	
Under the penalty of perjury, I confirm that the above	
information is true and correct.	
Parent's Name (Print):	
Parent's Signature	
Email:	
Daytime Phone:	
OR	
Teacher:	
Name and Address of School/Organization:	
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