**Holocaust Writing & Art Contest Guidelines**

**Eligible Participants:** 7-12th grade students

**Submission Deadline:** Monday, April 3, 2023, at 11:59pm CST

**Prompt:** Antisemitism did not begin, nor did it end, with the Holocaust. Based on your knowledge of the Holocaust, what dangers do antisemitism and other forms of identity-based hate pose? In your opinion, what are the best ways to combat rising antisemitism today?

**Format:** Original writing or art entry may be one of the following:

* Essay (not to exceed 3 pages, single spaced)
* Poetry (single poem or collection of poems, not to exceed 3 pages, single spaced)
* Short story (not to exceed 3 pages, single spaced)
* Film/video (maximum length: 5 minutes)
* Visual art (painting, drawing, collage, etc.)
* Sculpture
* Podcast/Social Media

All works must be submitted digitally. Other than poetry, entries are limited to a single object (sculpture entries may include up to four images from different angles).

**Artist's Statement:** All entries must include an artist's statement, 50-200 words, in which you identify your artistic process and the takeaway you would like the audience to have.

**Judging Criteria:** Each entry will be judged with the following criteria in mind and using [**this scoring rubric**](http://holocaustcentermilwaukee.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Scoring-Rubric.pdf):

* Offers a clear lesson from the Holocaust and connects it to present day
* Presents accurate historical facts
* Reflects artistry and skill
* Demonstrates originality and creative representation of the theme

**Prizes:** There will be 4 grand prize winners, two in the writing category and two in the art category. These 4 grand prize winners will be taken to Washington DC where they will visit the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. Teachers of the 4 grand prize winners will receive a $100 gift.

All winners will be featured on the website of the Nathan and Esther Pelz Holocaust Education Resource Center and in the Jewish Chronicle.

**Instructions:** Email contest submissions to **Contest@JCCMilwaukee.org** by Monday, April 3, 2023 at 11:59pm CST with the following 3 attached files:

* Completed and scanned [**cover sheet**](http://holocaustcentermilwaukee.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Cover-Sheet.pdf)
* Artist's statement
* Original writing or art entry

**More Information:** Contact Sam Goldberg., Director of Education at the Nathan and Esther Pelz Holocaust Education Resource Center at 414-963-2724 or **samg@milwaukeejewish.org.**