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Monmouth Vicinage Celebrates Law Day

The Monmouth Vicinage, in partnership with the Monmouth Bar Association, announced the winners of its annual Law Day Art, Essay and Poetry Contest for students focused on this year's national theme as established by the American Bar Association: "Your Voice, Your Vote, Our Democracy: The 19th Amendment at 100."

Student winners, whose names are listed below, were recognized at a virtual ceremony on Monday and awarded plaques and prizes. The Law Day contest and activities are co-sponsored by the New Jersey State Bar Foundation and made possible with funding from the IOLTA Fund of the Bar of New Jersey.

The Monmouth Vicinage also released online materials for a virtual Law Day symposium. Educational videos and materials are posted at <https://njcourts.gov/courts/vicinages/monmouth/lawday.html>.

The virtual symposium includes videos moderated by Monmouth County Clerk Christine Hanlon, "Commemorating the 19th Amendment and Its Ties to Monmouth County" and "The Fundamentals of Voting in Monmouth County." Other virtual symposium modules include "The Women's Suffrage Movement in New Jersey and the Women's Suffrage March on Washington," "New Jersey's Pivotal Role in the Suffrage Movement," "Internet Voting? Really? – Exploring Voting Technology Over 300 Years," and "Voting Rights."

Winners of the 2020 Law Day Art, Essay and Poetry Contest

The winner of the art contest is:

Grades K -5: Jeff Jiju, Fairview Elementary School (Middletown School District).

The winners of the essay contest are:

Grades 6-8: 1st Place: Kristen Tomazic, Dwight David Eisenhower Middle School (Freehold Township School District); 2nd Place: Lily Ariel Condrón, Dwight David Eisenhower Middle School (Freehold Township School District); 3rd Place: Addison Gunnell, Spring Lake Heights School (Spring Lake Heights School District).

Grades 9-12: 1st Place: Dayana Garza, Asbury Park High School (Asbury Park School District); 2nd Place: Nadia Ruiz, Asbury Park High School (Asbury Park School District); 3rd Place: Vah'Kyla Esdaile, Asbury Park High School (Asbury Park School District).

The winners of the poetry contest are:

Grades 6-8: 1st Place: Angelica Clemente, Long Branch Middle School (Long Branch School District); 2nd Place: Rayane Moura Oliveira, Long Branch Middle School (Long Branch School District); 3rd Place: Alberto Perez, Long Branch Middle School (Long Branch School District).

Grades 9-12: 1st Place: Kayla Freibott, Middletown High School – South (Middletown School District); 2nd Place: Sepheriah Cox, Asbury Park High School (Asbury Park School District); 3rd Place: Ninel Nunez-Garcia, Asbury Park High School (Asbury Park School District).

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