



Association of Indians in America

South Jersey Chapter (AIA-SJ)

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Hillsborough, NJ 08844

Mahatma Gandhi Art & Writing Contest 2018

AIA-SJ invites all New Jersey middle and high school students to submit their original work, written or art, based on the following quote:

“The future depends on what we do in the present.”
--Mahatma Gandhi

Please see the attached entry form, key guidelines and rules for participation.

This year, AIA-SJ will be celebrating the 15th Anniversary of the Mahatma Gandhi contest. Over these years, several thousand students from middle and high schools have participated in the competition and the AIA-SJ has recognized hundreds of them for their outstanding work in interpreting and expressing Mahatma Gandhi's ideas to make us better citizens and our world a better place to live.

AIA-SJ is one of the oldest associations representing Indian-Americans in the United States. AIA-SJ is a not for profit organization committed in spreading Gandhi's message of peace, non-violence and racial harmony. Please visit <http://www.aia-sj.org> for additional information.

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Key Guidelines and Rules for Participation:

- The contest is open to ALL Middle and High School students from New Jersey.
- Entries must be submitted on the attached form duly signed by a teacher or the guidance counselor.
- Art Entries must be at least 12 inches by 18 inches and should also have:
 - a. A title of the work.
 - b. A short statement in 50-100 words how the work relates to the stated theme.
 - c. A short description of the medium used like oil on canvas, crayons, etc.
 - d. The Entry Form and a sheet protector, secured with masking tape to the back of the artwork. Do not tape over the opening of the sheet protector.
- The Essay must not exceed 500 words and the Poem maximum 300 words.
- Last date for mailing entry is June 15, 2018. Entries post marked beyond deadline will not be evaluated.
- All entries will become the property of AIA-SJ and will not be returned to the participants.
- AIA-SJ reserves the right to utilize these entries in AIA-SJ publications, news media, public displays or in the libraries.
- Cash awards ranging from \$250 to \$50 will be awarded to the highest rated entries in each category for both Middle & High School participants.
- A total of up to 30 selected contestants will be recognized and will be required to attend the award ceremony, tentatively scheduled for October 7, 2018 at Princeton University. A formal announcement with all details will be sent to the winners, one month before the ceremony.

**MAHATMA GANDHI PEACE & HARMONY
Art & Writing CONTEST 2018**

ENTRY FORM

Middle School **High School**

Prizes – \$250, \$150, \$100 and \$50 in each category

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**Submit original work based on the above quotation in ONLY one of the three categories per student.
(Please submit your work attached to this application form with Name, Address, Email and Phone number of the student on the header of the Essay, Poem or behind the Art Work).
See details on attached announcement.**

Category (Check ONE): Essay () Poem () Art Work ()

Name: _____
First *Middle* *Last*

Address: _____
Street *City* *State* *Zip*

Phone no: () - - E-mail Address: _____ Grade: _____
(Print in BOLD)

I certify that this submission is entirely my original work.

(Student Signature)

(School Official Signature)

Name and Address of School:

School's Official Contact:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Phone no.: () - -

Date: _____

E-mail Address _____
(Print in BOLD)

Your entry must be attached to this form, postmarked by **JUNE 15, 2018**, mailed to:



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