



Home Means Nevada

Sesquicentennial Essay Contest

Sponsored by The Nevada Department of Education, Nevada in the West Magazine, Nevada History Foundation and the Nevada 150 Commission

Submit an essay telling us why 'Home Means Nevada' to you!

All entries must be in one of the following forms: a written essay, photo essay, video essay or oral essay.
Topics may include:

- A community history and how it relates to you
- A family history and how it relates to you
- A Nevadan's history and how it relates to you

2014 Entry Guidelines

Students from public, charter, private and homeschools are invited to participate. Entries will be judged in two different age categories.

Level 1: Grades 6-8

Level 2: Grades 9-12

All entries must be submitted to the Nevada Department of Education by March 24, 2014 by 5:00pm (submission information can be found on the NDE website: <http://www.doe.nv.gov/>).

Entries will be displayed and winners will be announced at the National History Day in Nevada State Contest on April 26th at UNR/UNLV.

First place winners in each category and grade level will receive a \$200 cash prize from the Nevada History Foundation. A runner up for each category and grade level will receive a \$50 cash prize.

****Additional guidelines for each type of submission can be found on the Nevada Department of Education and on page 2 of this announcement.***



Home Means Nevada Essay Contest Guidelines

All Entries Must Include/Incorporate:

- The theme why “Home Means Nevada” to me
- Reputable source material
- Bibliography/Works Cited
 - MLA, Chicago (Turabian) or APA formats are acceptable
 - Sorted by primary and secondary sources

Written Essay Guidelines

(a written essay is a short piece of writing on a particular subject)

Grades 6-8 <i>Write a typed, double-spaced essay of 500 to 750 words At least 2 credible sources</i>	Grades 9-12 <i>Write a typed, double spaced essay of 750 – 1000 words At least 3 credible sources</i>
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Photo Essay Guidelines

(a photo essay is an essay or short article consisting of text and numerous photographs)

Grades 6-8 <i>Photo(s) plus 250-400 words At least 2 credible sources A descriptive title and essay must accompany each photo.</i>	Grades 9-12 <i>Photo(s) plus 300-500 words At least 3 credible sources A descriptive title and essay must accompany each photo.</i>
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Video Essay Guidelines

(a video essay -presents information about a specific topic)

Grades 6-8 <i>5-7 minutes in length Typed Video Script At least 2 credible sources</i>	Grades 9-12 <i>5-7 minutes in length Typed Video Script At least 3 credible sources</i>
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Oral Essay

(also known as a podcast, this essay is entirely spoken by the author and presents information about a specific topic)

Grades 6-8 <i>5-7 minutes in length Typed Audio Script At least 2 credible sources</i>	Grades 9-12 <i>5-7 minutes in length Typed Audio Script At least 3 credible sources</i>
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2014 Entry Coupon – Please print!

Name _____

Male Female Age _____ Grade _____

School: _____

Street _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

School Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Teacher Contact: _____

Email: _____

This additional information is required if you are submitting an entry INDIVIDUALLY rather than through a school. Otherwise, this information is optional.

Student's -Home Address:

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Permissions:

By submitting this entry, I _____ give permission for this entry to be published and displayed for contest purposes. I also transfer copyright for my entry to be used in events and publications made by the Nevada Department of Education, Nevada History Foundation, Nevada in the West Magazine and the Nevada 150 Commission.

Student's Signature (**required**)

Parent's signature (**required**)

OFFICIAL SONG OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

Home Means Nevada

Written & Music by Bertha Raffetto

*Way out in the land of the setting sun,
Where the wind blows wild and free,
There's a lovely spot, just the only one
That means home sweet home to me.*

*If you follow the old Kit Carson trail,
Until desert meets the hills,
Oh you certainly will agree with me,
It's the place of a thousand thrills.*

*Home means Nevada Home means the hills,
Home means the sage and the pine.
Out by the Truckee, silvery rills,
Out where the sun always shines,*

*Here is the land which I love the best,
Fairer than all I can see.
Deep in the heart of the golden west
Home means Nevada to me.*

*Whenever the sun at the close of day,
Colors all the western sky,
Oh my heart returns to the desert grey
And the mountains tow'ring high.*

*Where the moon beams play in shadowed glen,
With the spotted fawn and doe,
All the live long night until morning light,
Is the loveliest place I know.*

*Home means Nevada Home means the hills,
Home means the sage and the pines.
Out by the Truckee's silvery rills,
Out where the sun always shines,
There is the land that I love the best,
Fairer than all I can see.
Right in the heart of the golden west
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