

Calling All Orators & Artists! to the Annual

Frederick Douglass Oratorical Contest



Pre-K-8th grade: Recite excerpt of Frederick Douglass speech.

9th – 12th grade: Recite an original speech written by the student on any topic.

Andrew Turner Art Competition

and

Pre-K-12th grade: Original drawing or painting.



MARCH 29, 2023

Event Information What: Annual Oratorical and Art Competition When: Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 6pm (EST) Where: STEM Academy 1100 10th St, Chester, Pa Contact: 14thevision@gmail.com



Title 1 Family Engagement



All Contestants please click the following link to apply:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/108bU5HC-nnbW6gK-eYrqNtpu5PAtvUywQnhYwQh0FmA/edit

Purpose:

The richness of the talents that our youth possess need platforms that provide for their development and presentation to the community. This annual competition provides such for 2 talents: Oratory and Drawing. It is suggested that each student include their presentation and art in their portfolios. We extend our highest gratitude to all of the persons and organizations whose contributions and support make this celebration possible, which may be a life changing event for some.

Details:

The competition is open to students in grades from Pre-K to 12.

Oratory

Pre-K to 8th grade contestants will select any excerpt from a Frederick Douglass speech and present from memory. 9-12th grade contestants will write an original speech on any topic and present from memory.

Pre-K to 3 rd grade	presentation not to exceed 3 minutes
4 th to 6 th grade	presentation not to exceed 3 minutes
7 th to 8 th grade	presentation not to exceed 5 minutes
9 th to 12th grade	presentation not to exceed 5 minutes

Awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes will be granted for each of the 4 divisions.

Applications for interested students should be submitted by Wednesday. March 1, 2023, to <u>14thevision@gmail.com</u>.

All contestants are encouraged to practice with a mentor or a teacher. A copy of the student's speech should be submitted electronically by Wednesday March 15, 2023 to <u>14thevision@gmail.com</u>

Scoring criteria for judging:

Judges scores will be final.

· Delivery (25)	• Platform Presence (25)	 Interpretation (25) 	• Projection (25)
Speech clarity	≻ Poise	≻ Content	> Voice
> Diction	≻ Appeal	➤ Subject Adherence	≻ Emphasis
Pronunciation	> Impression	≻ Theme	≻ Tone
> Enunciation	➤ Attitude and Effect	Logic and Color	> Pitch
➤ Gestures	 Audience engagement 	> Emotion	≻ Volume
≻ Emphasis		➤ connection	

- ➤ Memorization
- ≻ Tempo
- ≻ Time

Other requirements:

As best as possible, there should be no help from the audience during the recording of the performance. Orators should dress in "professional attire" and avoid exaggerated theatrical makeup props and gestures.

DRAWING no larger than 16 in x 24 in approximately.

Art teachers from each school are asked to submit selections from their students' work. Submissions will be considered for 4 divisions and judged on the criteria below for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Pre-K to 3rd grade 4th to 6th grade 7th to 8th grade 9th to 12th grade

Art work should be submitted by your school's Art Teacher by Wednesday Mar 22, 2023 to STEM Academy c/o Caitlin Merto, Communications Technology Teacher.

Scoring criteria for judging

Composition (20) line/form (20) presentation (20) technique/craftsmanship (20) theme (20) The Judges' final decisions will be announced **6:00 pm, Wednesday Mar. 29, 2023 at the event.**

KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, March 1, 2023..... Applications due Wednesday, March 15, 2023.... A copy of the student's speech due to 14thevision@gmail.com Tuesday, March 21, 2023 Art Work Submitted to Art Teachers Wednesday, March 22, 2023..... Art Teachers Submit Art Work to Caitlin Merto, STEM Academy Wednesday, March 29, 2023.....5:00 pm light dinner and 6:00 pm public presentation and announcement of winners at STEM Academy