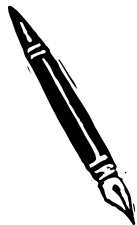


CONTEST ENTRY TIPS

The following is a list of tips and reminders based on advisers' questions from past conventions.

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST:

Are photography entries framed correctly? See page 21 of the 2006 *Adviser Handbook*. One mistake is to trim the mat board flush to the photo, which will cause the entry to be disqualified.



Are photography entries 4 x 6, 8 x 10, or 5 x 7 inches, not including the mat?

Are photography entries mounted on mounting board and NOT posterboard? Is the color of the mounting board black or white?

LITERARY AND YOUTH PRESERVATION CONTESTS:

For easier display in the THJHA gallery at the North Carolina Museum of History, are the formats of these entries 8 ½ x 11 inches?

Please do not frame or mount these entries on posterboard. This will assist us with displaying entries and with mailing entries to contest judges.

ART CONTEST:

NEW DIMENSIONS FOR ART PROJECTS: 24" wide x 24" long x 24" high

Remember to include at least a 4-by-6-inch card that provides historical documentation. See page 20 of the *Adviser Handbook* for more information.

ARTIFACT SEARCH CONTEST:

All Artifact Search entries should address the new requests for documentation and description listed on the contest entry form on page 60 of the *Adviser Handbook*.

ROOKIE CHAPTER, CHAPTER, AND ADVISER OF THE YEAR:

Have you entered at least one of these contests?

GENERAL:

Do all contest entries reflect North Carolina history, and do they all include correct and complete contest entry forms?

Do you have questions or suggestions for THJHA contests? Please post your comments on our Talkin' Spot message board at http://ncmuseumofhistory.org/thjha/THJHA_MesBoard.html. A fellow adviser might have the same question or might be able to answer your question!

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Leaves Are Not the Only Things Changing This Fall!

The fall season is our busiest at the museum, and that is especially the case for Tar Heel Junior Historian Association this year! Lisa Coston Hall, *Tar Heel Junior Historian* editor, and I have been hard at work on improvements to the *Adviser Handbook*, contests, and contest forms. This newsletter is dedicated to outlining those changes for you, in the hopes that it will provide an easy transition. I think you all will be pleased with the adjustments that we have made.

I would also like to remind everyone to take advantage of several THJHA resources offered online. Go to the museum's Web site at <http://ncmuseumofhistory.org> and click on "Junior Historians." The *Adviser Handbook* and the adviser supplements that accompany each issue of *THJH* are posted online under the "Publications" heading. Under the "Forms" heading, you will find the club registration form, which is used every year for renewing your membership, as well as the *THJH* back issue order form.

Two new online resources that we are especially proud of are the Tar Heel Talk About program and the Talkin' Spot message board. Tar Heel Talk About is a ten-minute streamed video program that focuses on topics ranging from North Carolina history to behind-the-scenes looks at the

North Carolina Museum of History. We also will spotlight clubs from across the state. If you would like to introduce your club to THJHA and its members, please contact me. If you or your junior historians have questions about a Tar Heel Talk About topic, please post them on the message board. I encourage everyone to communicate with other clubs via the Talkin' Spot message board, as well.

Two more new museum offerings that I would like to highlight are the educator e-newsletter and the searchable database for North Carolina history resources. Visit the museum's Web page and register your e-mail address to receive the quarterly educator e-newsletter. Access the new resource database—which includes links to articles and time lines, plus information on education offerings ranging from History-in-a-Box Kits to workshops—at <http://nchistoryresources.org>.

I look forward to working with everyone this year! Please keep reading to learn more about the revisions made to the THJHA contest forms, contests, and *Adviser Handbook*. Thank you for your support and participation!

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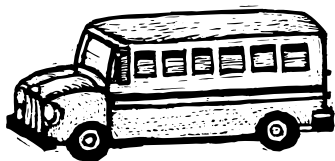
North Carolina Museum of
History, Raleigh

Workshops will be based on the fall 2006 and spring 2007 issues of the *Tar Heel Junior Historian* magazine.



The fall 2006 issue features inventors, inventions, and scientists of North Carolina. The spring 2007 issue will focus on food and foodways of North Carolina.

If you have any ideas for convention workshops or contact information for possible workshop presenters, please e-mail thjhaclubs@ncmail.net or call 919-807-7985.



CONTEST DEADLINE

All contest entries
(except art projects)

**must be in
the THJHA office**
at the North Carolina
Museum of History by
**FRIDAY,
MARCH 9, 2007**

Any project delivered to the
office after this date
will be disqualified.

Art Contest entry forms are
due in the THJHA office by
the March 9 deadline!

You can **fax** Art Contest entry
forms to 919-733-8655 or mail
entry forms to THJHA.

**NEW ART
CONTEST ENTRY
DIMENSIONS:
24" wide, 24" long,
and 24" high**

ADVISER HANDBOOK REVISIONS FOR THJHA CONTESTS

Changes have been made to the 2006 *Adviser Handbook* in an attempt to make contest instructions easier to understand and contest forms easier to complete! By revising forms and eliminating unnecessary information, we hope to save time for you, as well as for ourselves! Revisions were made based on comments we compiled from advisers and contest judges. If you have any questions or need clarification about contests or entry forms, please e-mail thjhaclubs@ncmail.net, or post your question on the Talkin' Spot message board.

To help you digest changes to the contests, we listed the biggest revisions below.

Multimedia Contest Becomes Two Separate Contests (p. 18)



We now have a
Video Production
Contest
and a
Computer Program
Contest.

The Multimedia Contest entry form
has been revised to reflect this
separation (p. 62).

Art Contest Maximum Dimensions (p. 20)

The maximum size of
projects is now 24" wide x
24" long x 24" high,
with a weight limit of
thirty pounds.



New African American History Essay Contest (p. 24) and Entry Form (p. 65)

Encourage your
students to take a
look at this great new contest!



Youth Preservation Award Entry Form (p. 69)

Note the added criteria as outlined on
the entry form.

Artifact Search Contest Entry Form (p. 60)

Note the new criteria requested on the
entry form. Each student will write a
paragraph instead of answering
fill-in-the-blank questions.

Chapter/Rookie Chapter of the Year Entry Form (p. 70)

These contests now use one combined
entry form. The form also outlines new
criteria that entries should include.

Adviser of the Year Contest Entry Form (p. 71)

Note the new criteria that entries
should include.