

Dear Educators, Parents and Community:

DETROIT BRANCH NAACP, COCA-COLA,
AND THE DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS ANNOUNCE



**The 24th Annual
Detroit Branch NAACP
Fight For Freedom Fund Dinner
Art/Essay Contest**

**THEME: PLEASE EXPLAIN “WHAT THE CIVIL RIGHTS STRUGGLE MEANS TO ME.”
(HOW THE STRUGGLE HAS AFFECTED MY LIFE AND/OR THE LIVES OF
OTHERS).**

Essay Entries: One or two page essay typewritten or neatly handwritten on 8 x 11 paper.

Art Entries: 22 x 14 or 18 x 24. Two-dimensional work only.

Note: Students may submit an Art entry, an Essay entry, or both.

Schools may submit up to five (5) entries for each level (elementary, middle, high school) for both the art and essay entries.

Participants: Public and Private elementary, middle and high school students in Detroit, Highland Park, Hamtramck, Ecorse, Inkster, Oak Park, Romulus, River Rouge and Southfield are eligible.

Deadline: **March 21, 2014**

In developing their theme, students are encouraged to consider personal experiences or events, current or past community heroes, historical figures, or conduct interviews with parents, grandparents, etc.

Please discuss participation in this contest with your child/student. These entries should reflect research activities and/or conversations held with parents, grandparents, great-grandparents or other relatives and/or friends.

Parents please contact your child's school for further information and official entry forms

SELECTION OF WINNERS:

A special committee will screen and select finalists. The NAACP Contest Committee will select final winners.

RECOGNITION:

The three first place Essay and the three first place Art winners will receive a \$375 educational scholarship and two tickets to the **Detroit Branch NAACP Fight For Freedom Fund Dinner**, which will be held on **Sunday, May 4, 2014**, at Cobo Conference Center. The six first place winners will appear in the Fight for Freedom Fund Dinner Souvenir Book. Second place winners will receive a \$150 educational scholarship. Third place winners will receive a \$100 educational scholarship.

ALL FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD PLACE WINNERS, their parents or guardians, teachers and principals **will be hosted** by Coca-Cola, **at a reception with community leaders on at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History.**

All participants will receive a Certificate of Participation. **An entry form must be completed for each student to receive a Certificate of Participation.**

DEADLINE
Friday, March 21, 2014

Please submit all
ART/ESSAY ENTRIES to:

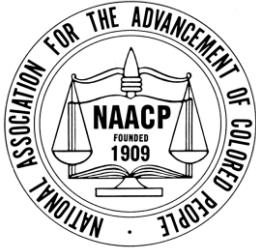
Detroit Branch NAACP
Art & Essay Contest
8220 Second Avenue
Detroit, MI 48202

Every entry must have a COMPLETED entry form attached

Announcements and posters for this contest may be picked up at the:

Detroit Branch NAACP Office
8220 Second Avenue (at Seward)
Tuesday -Thursday
9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Friday
9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Questions or requests may be referred to:
Mary Blackmon, Art & Essay Committee Chair at (313) 862-3623
LaToya Henry or Tonie Bell at (313) 664-2406



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**“What the Civil Rights Struggle Means to Me”
Entry Form**

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Home Address: _____
City, State, Zip

Grade: _____ **Home Phone Number:** _____

Name of School: _____

School Address: _____
City, State, Zip

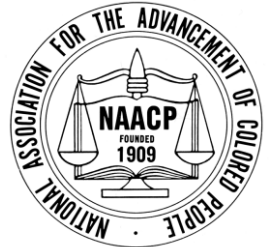
School Phone Number: _____ **Fax Number:** _____

Teacher’s Name: _____ **Principal:** _____



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