

Million Man March San Antonio

ESSAY/ORATORICAL CONTEST

FAQ

1. Who is sponsoring the essay/oratorical contest

The contest is jointly sponsored by the San Antonio Local Organizing Committee/20th Anniversary Million Man March, the African American Studies Program and the Consortium for Social Transformation at the University of Texas at San Antonio.

2. Who can enter the contest and when is the deadline to enter the contest?

Undergraduate students currently enrolled in a regionally accredited college or university in San Antonio, TX or the surrounding area between the ages 18 to 24. Entry deadline is Sept. 18, 2015.

3. Is the contest only for African American male students?

Not at all! The contest is open to all college students without regard to gender, race, ethnicity, or religion.

4. When and where will the contest be held?

Saturday, October 3, 2015 on the Downtown Campus of the University of Texas at San Antonio in the Buena Vista Building - Lecture Hall, 501 W. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd., San Antonio, TX 78207.

5. How will the contest be judged?

A panel of judges will review and score the essays prior to October 3. Individuals whose essays score highest will advance to the oratorical phase of the contest. A second panel of judges will score the speeches on October 3. The three highest scores from the combined essay and speech will determine the winners.

6. If I write the essay, but cannot attend the October 3 speech contest or do not wish to speak at the contest, can someone else read my essay/speech?

No. If selected, contestants must attend and participate in the speech portion of the contest.

7. Will the identity of the essay writers be revealed to the judges?

No. The judges will not have access to any identifying information of the contestants. Family members of judges are not eligible to participate.

8. How will I know if my essay was selected as a finalist?

You will be notified no later than Sept. 21 via email.

9. Will the winners receive awards on the day of the event?

No. Winners will receive awards within 30 days of the event.

10. To whom may I address questions?

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