

2020 Virginia NHD National Contest Winners and Finalists

Third Place:

- **Junior Individual Documentary:** “Penicillin: Breaking Bacterial Barriers” by Caroline Bruton, William Monroe Middle

Finalists:

- **Senior Group Performance:** “Breaking The Gender Barrier at the Virginia Military Institute” by William Tabor, Willow Lehrer, Shayleigh Cire, and Scarlett Pleasant, Liberty High
- **Senior Group Performance:** “The Soweto Uprising: Breaking the Barrier of Apartheid” by Aidan Gibson, Sagar Murthy, and Gio Mazzeo, Douglas S. Freeman High
- **Senior Individual Performance:** “By their Poverty, Denied the Right to Vote: Harper v. Virginia Board and the Poll Tax” by Thomas McKenna, McKenna Homeschool
- **Senior Group Website:** “Conquering Pain with Anesthesia” by Elena Torres and Victoria Davis, Fredericksburg Academy
- **Senior Individual Website:** “The ENIAC Six: How Six Women Programmers Shattered Technological Barriers and the Glass Ceiling” by Parker Hoang, Langley High

Outstanding Affiliate Entry Award:

- **Junior Group Exhibit:** “Breaking the Laws for Love” by Eliza Hayes, Isobel Rice, and Grace Doss, Forest Middle
- **Senior Individual Performance:** “By their Poverty, Denied the Right to Vote: Harper v. Virginia Board and the Poll Tax” by Thomas McKenna, McKenna Homeschool

Special Award Winners:

- **Equality in History Award:** “Breaking The Gender Barrier at the Virginia Military Institute” by William Tabor, Willow Lehrer, Shayleigh Cire, and Scarlett Pleasant, Liberty High
- **African American History Award:** “The 1939 Alexandria Library Sit-In: Breaking a Barrier to Read at a Public Library” by Patrick Ostermann-Healey, George Washington Middle