



FOR ALL OF US SHE STARTED IT

CONTEST FOR UTAH
STUDENTS GRADES 4-12

SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY
BY FEBRUARY 5

WINNERS NOTIFIED
BY FEBRUARY 14

CASH AWARDS & PRIZES
FROM UTAH BUSINESSES

BETTER DAYS ART AND ESSAY CONTEST

January 2021 is the 125th anniversary of Utah statehood. Utah women have always made history, but they're often missing in our textbooks, history classrooms, and public art. We need your help to change that!

Utah students grades 4-12: Create an original essay or piece of art to tell us about a woman in Utah history who made a difference in your community. Include what you are inspired to do today to follow in her footsteps. Winners in each age category will be notified by February 14, and will receive cash awards and prizes from local Utah businesses! Winning essays will be read on Utah Public Radio and artwork will be displayed in digital exhibits. Submit your entry by **February 5** at the link below:

SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY HERE

<https://forms.gle/WmmKAfpHyfhfT6R9>

FOR QUESTIONS, EMAIL US AT

info@betterdays2020.org

BETTER DAYS IS A 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT DEDICATED TO POPULARIZING UTAH WOMEN'S HISTORY IN CREATIVE AND COMMUNAL WAYS. WE BELIEVE THAT BY EXPLORING THE LEGACY OF OUR PAST, WE MAKE UTAH A BETTER PLACE FOR WOMEN IN THE FUTURE.



CONTEST DETAILS

PROMPT

Create an original essay or piece of art about a woman in Utah history who made a difference in your community. Include what you are inspired to do today to follow in her footsteps.

AWARD CATEGORIES

Grades 4-6, 7-8, 9-12

SUBMISSION LINK

<https://forms.gle/WmmKAfppHyfhfT6R9>

ESSAYS

Submit a PDF or Microsoft Word document answering the prompt.

- **Grades 4-6** | 350 words maximum
- **Grades 7-8** | 500 words maximum
- **Grades 9-12** | 800 words maximum

ARTWORK

Your art creation can be any format—2D or 3D, using any materials you choose.

- **All Categories** | Submit 2 photos of your art as well as a written explanation of 250 words or fewer.

To assist with anonymity in judging, please don't include any identifying information in submitted artwork or written documents! You'll share that info separately on our form.

CRITERIA

Judges will evaluate entries based on:

- Interpretation of Theme
- Creativity
- Clarity

PRIZES

Grades 4-6:

- **ONE GRAND PRIZE WINNER FOR EACH** | Art and Essay: \$100
- **TWO HONORABLE MENTIONS IN EACH** | Art and Essay: \$50

Grades 7-8:

- **ONE GRAND PRIZE WINNER FOR EACH** | Art and Essay: \$100
- **TWO HONORABLE MENTIONS IN EACH** | Art and Essay: \$50

Grades 9-12:

- **ONE GRAND PRIZE WINNER FOR EACH** | Art and Essay: \$200
- **TWO HONORABLE MENTIONS IN EACH** | Art and Essay: \$100

Parents must confirm that submissions are original student work. They can also indicate whether they give permission for their student's work to be presented on public media, the educational website www.utahwomenshistory.org, and Better Days social media.