

PILGRIM SOCIETY & PILGRIM HALL MUSEUM

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10th Annual Teen Forefathers Day Contest 2016

Every year, Pilgrim Hall Museum celebrates Forefathers Day in remembrance of the December 21, 1620 landing of the Pilgrims in Plymouth. As part of that commemoration, the museum hosts a competition for local high school students to encourage greater awareness of the Pilgrims and the history of early Plymouth. The 2016 Teen Forefathers Day Contest is generously sponsored by Lougee Insurance.

The Pilgrims arrived almost 400 years ago to establish a new home and create a better life for their families. What does their experience mean to Americans today? This question is especially important as Plymouth approaches its 400 anniversary in 2020. This year, Pilgrim Hall Museum invites teenagers to submit a creative response on the theme of Plymouth's commemoration in the form of a brief original submission in their choice of format (written, multimedia, video, or visual or performing arts). The winner of the competition will present their material at the 196th Annual Forefathers Day Dinner held in Plymouth on Wednesday, December 21, 2016. **Each presentation must be 3 to 5 minutes in length**, and address one of the following questions: As a Plymouth area resident, why is the 400th anniversary of the Landing of the Pilgrims important to me and my community? If you were planning Plymouth's 400th commemoration, what would you include? How has Plymouth changed in the last 100 years since it celebrated its 300th birthday in 1920?

A scholarship prize of \$300 will be awarded for the winning entry, and the winner will receive tickets to attend the dinner with their parents or other family members.

The winning entry will be selected based on content and creativity. The competition is open to any student in grades 10 through 12 who is a Plymouth County resident or enrolled in Plymouth schools, or a child (or grandchild) of a Pilgrim Society member. All submissions are due by November 29, 2016.

For more information about how to apply, visit <u>www.pilgrimhallmuseum.org</u>. Entries must include a completed application form with the student's name, contact information, and school information, submitted to Dr. Donna D. Curtin, Executive Director, by November 29, 2016 either by email (<u>donna.curtin@pilgrimhall.org</u>) or mail (Pilgrim Hall Museum, 75 Court Street, Plymouth, MA 02360).



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10TH ANNUAL TEEN FOREFATHERS DAY CONTEST 2016 APPLICATION FORM

To be included with your contest submission.

PLEASE PRINT

NAME OF APPLICANT_____

Mailing Address/Town/State/Zip

Phone:_____Email_____

GRADE LEVEL_____

SCHOOL NAME/TOWN_____

(Note: applications from home schooled students are also accepted.)

All submissions must be original material. The winner is required to present their winning submission in a 3 to 5 minute presentation at the Annual Forefathers Day Dinner, by reading, showing, or performing their piece, with introduction and commentary as indicated.

DESCRIPTION OF SUBMISSION (please check one and/or describe briefly):

_____written material (essay, poem, story), 2 double-sided pages of text, to be presented orally

_____Multimedia presentation (PowerPoint, Prezi, Pinterest Board, etc.), to be presented with introduction/commentary by student

____Film/video, to be presented with introduction/commentary by student

_____Audio/Sound/Music, to be presented with introduction/commentary by student

_____Visual & Performing Arts (e.g., dramatic skit, mini-play) to be presented/performed with introduction/commentary by student

____Other (e.g., original artwork, to be presented with commentary by student), please

describe:_____

All material must be received no later than 5 p.m. on November 29, 2016 to donna.curtin@pilgrimhall.org or

mailed to Pilgrim Hall Museum, 75 Court Street, Plymouth MA 02360

Date received:_____Date reviewed:_____