



AMERICAN MUSLIMS FOR PALESTINE
EMPOWERMENT through
EDUCATION and **ACTION**

AMP Youth Competition 2019

AMP is proud to present its annual youth competition. We hope for this event is to provide a platform for our youth to showcase their creative talents in presenting the Palestinian narrative. The competition has four categories: video/documentary, poetry/spoken word, essay, and dabka. Participants can compete in one or more categories. The winners will receive a variation of prizes depending on the category.

Eligibility

The competition is open to youth from ages 13-18. The final piece of work for all categories has to be created by the individuals and **CAN NOT** be plagiarized by any means.

Sponsor

The Competition is sponsored by AMP's 12th Annual Conference for Palestine in the US.

Competition Period

The participants have until November 23rd to submit their final piece for approval, and in the case of the essay portion for judgment. After approval, the participants will present their work to a panel of judges at the conference as well as a live audience. Each category will be judged in its own manner.

Description of Each Category

(1) Video / Documentary

- Criteria: A video or documentary highlighting the Palestinian cause, struggle, or culture.
- The video's length needs to be three to five minutes long.
- The video needs to be created by the filmmaker(s) if snippets from other videos are used those sources need to be provided.
- Subtitles (Arabic & English) are encouraged but not required.
- The film does need to have only one creator, collaboration is allowed.
- Sources need to be provided for all facts and figures used in the final product.
- The final product will be judged by style, content, originality, etc.
- First place receives \$400, second place receives \$250, and third place receives \$100 and will be judged by a panel of judges.



(2) Poetry / Spoken Word

- Criteria: A self-composed poem or spoken word on the Palestinian cause or culture.
- The length needs to be around three minutes long.
- Contestants will be asked to present a hard copy of their poem / spoken word by November 23rd to ensure there is no plagiarism and material is appropriate.
- Contestants will be judged by a panel of judges. First place receives \$300, second place receives \$200, and third place receives \$100.

(3) Essay

- Criteria: A nonfiction essay or short story that relates to the Palestinian cause or culture.
- The essay or short story needs to be a minimum of 1000 words.
- The final product will be judged by content, flow, grammar, etc.
- Contestants' essays will be judged by what is submitted by November 23rd and the winner will be announced at the conference.
- First place receives \$300, second place receives \$200 and third place receives \$100.

(4) Dabka

- Criteria: A boys dabka group dancing to Palestinian traditional music
- Length: 3-5 minutes
- Participants will perform on stage and the winner will be declared by a panel of judges and the audience reactions to their performance.
- First place receives \$300, second place receives \$200 and third place receives \$100.

How to Enter

All submissions need to be sent to Nour Abughoush by phone at (708) 598-4267 or via email at chicagocoordinator@ampalastine.org

Agreement to Official Rules

Participants in the competition constitute entrants and unconditional agreement to and acceptance of the official rules and the decisions of the sponsor, which are final and binding. Sponsors have the right to decline any participants without reasoning if they feel work does not fit their criteria and values that they uphold. Winning a prize is contingent upon being compliant with the official rules and fulfilling all other requirements set forth herein. Winning participants waive their copyright to their work and permits sponsors to showcase in their current or future events.