

ANNISTON MUSEUMS AND GARDENS'
41ST ANNUAL BLACK HERITAGE FESTIVAL

ORATORICAL PARTICIPATION APPLICATION

Please complete form and email to sburke@annistonmuseum.org or mail to:
Anniston Museum of Natural History, Attn: BHF P.O. Box 1587, Anniston, AL 36202

Videos accepted Monday, February 1 - Tuesday, February 16, 2021

Individual Participant Name: _____

If performing in a group: Group Name (List all participants' names & grade):

Participant Address: _____

Participant Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Selected Poem Title: _____

Selected Poem Author: _____

School/Church: _____

School/Church Address: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

If someone other than the parent or guardian is submitting this form, please fill out the information below in addition to parent/guardian information.

Adult Contact: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

I understand that the fairness and competitive integrity of the oration competition is important to all the participants and I therefore promise to hold myself to the highest standards of honesty and integrity in competition. I promise to recite the poem by memory with no assistance. I understand the guidelines and will uphold them to the best of my ability.

Participant Signature

Date

I authorize Anniston Museums and Gardens (AM&G) to upload the participant's video performance on AM&G website and social media accounts. The participant's image or video may be used in future marketing initiatives. Yes No

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

CATEGORIES FOR PARTICIPANTS:

- Pre-K – Kindergarten
- 1st Grade – 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade – 5th Grade
- 6th Grade – 8th Grade
- 9th Grade – 12th Grade
- Groups of 2 or 3; socially distanced

GUIDELINES FOR ORAL SPEAKING - Individual or Group participants

- 41st Annual Black Heritage Festival theme: *Cultural Diversities: Songs to Sing, Stories to Tell*
- All orations must be submitted virtually or scheduled to be recorded in person at the Anniston Museums and Gardens. *See schedule at www.ExploreAMAG.org
- Submit videos by sending video to the Anniston Museum of Natural History Facebook page via Messenger or upload video to the Anniston Museums and Gardens' Google Classroom (**Class Code: l5nqrcz**)
- **Videos accepted Monday, February 1 - Tuesday, February 16, 2021**
- Videos will be judged on performance and oration, not on the quality of the video
- Orations should be works by black authors
- Presentations must be delivered orally or by American Sign Language. Interpreters are encouraged.
- Participants may compete as an individual or as a member of a group (2 or 3; socially distanced)
- Duration of presentation is limited to 3 minutes
- Begin video by stating your name, grade, and poem title and author
- No profanity; edit speeches/poems as necessary to remove profanity
- **If all guidelines are not followed, video submission will be disqualified**
- Participant videos will be posted on the Anniston Museums and Gardens' YouTube page the week of February 22, 2021
- Winners will be announced Saturday, February 20, 2021 by 3:00pm
- Winner videos will be posted on Anniston Museums and Gardens' social media accounts
- Participants and up to 8 guests receive one-time complimentary admission to Anniston Museum of Natural History and Berman Museum valid February 20-28, 2021.
- Participants may pick up their participation envelopes at the Anniston Museum of Natural History visitor services desk February 20-March 20, 2021. Each participation envelope includes \$10.00, Participant Ribbon, and a free AM&G Membership.
- Winners may pick up their prizes at the Anniston Museum of Natural History visitor services desk February 20-March 20, 2021.

Please return page one (Oration Participation Application) and keep page two for your reference.