

# I Found It In the Archives !

# Contest Entry Form, Release and Waiver

The Amistad Research Center is sponsoring the *I Found It In The Archives* essay and video contest to show how the items and information found in the nation's archives touch peoples' lives. We're seeking entrants who have found something special in our collections – records, documents, photos, recordings, a meaningful item or treasure. If it has meaning to you, it has meaning to us and is a wonderful basis for your entry.

Between now and the close of entries on February 10, 2012, we ask that you submit either:

A 400-word essay describing your quest for information and explaining why finding it has made a difference for you, along with a color photograph of you, or

A video of no more than 2 minutes in which you describe your quest for information and explain why finding it has made a difference for you.

This entry form (which is downloadable) must accompany your entry and can be submitted along with the essay or video as an attachment to your email. (You may also drop off your entry and this form at our offices at Tilton Hall, Tulane University, 6823 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans LA 70118.

There will be three finalists in this competition, whose essays and videos will be posted online for a public vote. The essay and video with the most votes will be declared the winners and will receive a gift bag of Amistad promotional items.

## RULES

You may submit only one entry. Submitting more than one entry will disqualify you.

You may submit your entry by email to [reference@amistadresearchcenter.org](mailto:reference@amistadresearchcenter.org) (subject line should read "I Found It contest") or by dropping it off at our offices at Tilton Hall, Tulane University, 6823 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA 70118.

You must not currently be employed or previously have been employed by the Amistad Research Center – whether as employee or contractor – or related to a member of the same household as an Amistad employee or contractor.

You must be 18 years of age or older at the date of entry.

You must be a legal resident of the United States.

Your entry becomes the property of the Amistad Research Center. We reserve the right to post your essay and photograph or video online. Materials will not be returned.

## TIMELINE

Entries must be received by 5:00pm CST on February 10, 2012.

Finalists will be notified by February 15, 2012 and their essays or videos posted online for a public vote.

The close of public voting will be 5:00pm CST on March 1, 2012.

The winners of the competition will be notified on March 2.

The winners may be asked to compete in a national competition. National winners will be hosted at the Society of American Archivists Annual Awards Ceremony in San Diego, California, in August 2012.

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## Entry Application

Please complete this form and answer all questions. Your entry will not be considered if it has any incomplete fields or if any questions are not answered. You may download this form, complete it, and scan it into a document that becomes an attachment to your emailed entry OR you may mail or drop off your essay and photo or video, along with your entry form, so that it arrives at our office at Tilton Hall, Tulane University, 6823 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, LA 70118 on or before 5:00pm CST on February 10, 2012.

FIRST NAME:

LAST NAME:

STREET ADDRESS LINE 1:

STREET ADDRESS LINE 2:

CITY:

STATE:

ZIP:

HOME PHONE:

CELL PHONE:

WORK PHONE:

EMAIL:

ARE YOU 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER?:

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN EMPLOYED BY THE AMISTAD RESEARCH CENTER?:

ARE YOU OR YOUR EMPLOYER A CONTRACTOR TO AMISTAD?:

ARE YOU RELATED TO, OR A MEMBER OF A HOUSEHOLD OF, A  
CURRENT OR FORMER AMISTAD EMPLOYEE OR CONTRACTOR?:

I affirm that the statements made by me herein are accurate and truthful. I also affirm that I understand that my essay and photograph or my video may be displayed on Amistad's website, Facebook page, and other social media sites and that, if I am a finalist, my entry will be posted online for a public vote to determine the winners of this contest.

PRINT NAME:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

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## Release and Waiver

In consideration for the opportunity to submit my Essay or Video and Entry Application to participate as an applicant in the *I Found It In The Archives* contest being sponsored by the Amistad Research Center, and for other good and valuable consideration, I irrevocably give Amistad and its agents and contractors the right and permission to use, copy, alter, distribute, publish, broadcast, and display the Essay or

Video that I have submitted; photographs and images of me that I have provided or that they will create; my voice and likeness; my name; the city, state, or province in which I live; and other information and material included in my Entry Application, on Amistad's website, elsewhere on the Internet, in advertising and promotional materials, and in any other medium or format for any purpose related to the *I Found It In The Archives* contest.

I acknowledge and agree that if am selected as a finalist for the *I Found It In The Archives* contest, Amistad may post the Essay and my photo or the Video on the Internet and allow the public to vote and comment on the material and on whether I should be chosen as the winner of the *I Found It In The Archives* contest sponsored by the Amistad Research Center.

I waive any right to royalties or other payment for the use of my Essay and photo or Video and I also waive the right to inspect or approve Amistad's use of the Essay and photo or Video and other materials that Amistad may use with them.

I attest that there is no copyrighted material in my Essay or Video.

I release and waive and agree to hold Amistad, its agents, and its contractors harmless from any claims, damages, or liabilities resulting from their use of the Essay or Video and I agree not to bring any such claims against the released parties at any time in the future. This includes, but is not limited to, claims for violation of publicity rights and privacy rights, claims based on moral rights, claims for intrusion, claims for defamation, claims for fraud, claims for infliction of emotional distress, and claims for copyright or other intellectual property infringement, whether those claims may be based on statutes or the common law.

I represent and warrant to the Amistad Research Center that:

- The Essay or Video is my original work.
- I have not granted anyone else any rights to use, distribute, publish, broadcast, or display the Essay or Video.
- I have the full right and authority to execute this Release and Waiver.
- I have all rights necessary to grant the rights, waivers, and releases granted in this Release and Waiver.
- I have read this Release and Waiver and I fully understand it.
- All statements and information included in my Entry Application and any other statements and information that I provided to or will provide to the Amistad Research Center are true and complete.

PRINT NAME:

SIGNATURE:

ADDRESS:

DATE: