



# Association of Indians in America – South Jersey (AIA-SJ) Mahatma Gandhi Art & Writing Contest 2019

AIA-SJ invites all New Jersey middle and high school students to submit their original works, written or art, based on the following quotation from Mahatma Gandhi;

**“Intolerance is itself a form of violence and an obstacle to the growth of a true democratic spirit.” - Mahatma Gandhi**

## **Key Guidelines and Rules for Participation:**

1. Open to ALL Middle and High School students from New Jersey
2. Entries must be submitted on the attached form duly signed by teacher or guidance counselor.
3. Art Entries must not be smaller than 12 inches by 18 inches and should have
  - Required Title of the work
  - Required artist statement (Explain how your work relates to the theme. (At least 10 words Max 100 words))
  - Required description of the medium used like oil on canvas, crayons, etc.
  - Place the Student Entry Form in a sheet protector and secure it with masking tape to the back of the artwork. Do not tape over the opening of the sheet protector.
4. Length of Short Essay: Between 300 and 500 words.
5. Length of Poem: Between 20 and 40 lines.
6. Each page of the entry should have the name of contestant in the header.
7. Last date for mailing entry is June 15, 2019. Entries post marked after June 15 will not be evaluated.
8. All entries become the property of AIA-SJ and will not be returned to the participants.
9. AIA-SJ will reserve the right to utilize these entries in AIA-SJ publications, displays or in libraries.
10. Cash awards ranging from \$250 to \$50 will be awarded to the highest rated entries in each category and for both Middle & High School participants.
11. A total of up to 30 selected contestants will be recognized and will be required to attend the award ceremony scheduled for Sunday, October 6, 2019 (tentative) in Princeton at Princeton University

In 2019, AIA-SJ will be celebrating the 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Mahatma Gandhi Award contest for New Jersey students. Over the last decade several thousand middle and high school students have participated in the competition and the AIA-SJ has recognized hundreds for their outstanding work in interpreting and expressing Mahatma Gandhi's ideas to make our world and ourselves better.

AIA-SJ is one of the oldest associations representing Indian-Americans in the United States. AIA-SJ is a not for profit organization committed in spreading Gandhi's message of peace, non-violence and racial harmony. Please visit [www.aia-sj.org](http://www.aia-sj.org) for additional information.

# MAHATMA GANDHI PEACE & HARMONY Art & Writing CONTEST 2019

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## ENTRY FORM

Middle School                       High School

**Prizes – \$250, \$150, \$100 and \$50 in each category**

***“Intolerance is itself a form of violence and an obstacle to the growth of a true democratic spirit.”- Mahatma Gandhi***

Submit only one original work based on the above quotation in one of the three categories per student.  
(Please submit your entry of the Essay, Poem or Art Work attached to this application form. See details on attached announcement.)

Please PRINT the following. All Fields are required.

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Category Picked:                      Essay ( )                      Poem ( )                      Art Work ( )

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First*                      *Middle*                      *Last*

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street*                      *City*                      *State*                      *Zip*

Phone no: ( ) - - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

“I certify that this submission is entirely my original work.”

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(School Official Signature)

Name and Address of School:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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School’s Official Contact:  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone no.: ( ) - - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Application Deadline\*

**YOUR ENTRY MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION FORM AND MUST BE POST MARKED BY  
JUNE 15, 2019. SEND TO: AIA-South Jersey Chapter, 60 Milburn Drive, Hillsborough NJ 08844**

