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SCIENCE ESSAYS

Grand Prize Winners

- Grade 5: Nicholas Dulchinos of Birchrunville, PA, for "Modular Robots"
Grade 8: Robert Moffatt of Reston, VA, for "Sunspot Cycles and the Weather"
Grade 12: Josephine Huang of Rowland Heights, CA, for "Europe's New Plague"

Finalists

- Grade 5: Iris Fox of Falls Church, VA, for "Chinchillas"
Kalok Lai of Falls Church, VA, for "Penguins"
John Sham of Falls Church, VA, for "Electricity"
Grade 6: Lindsey Knast of Philadelphia, PA, for "Black Holes"
Grade 7: Billy Buenzle of Great Falls, VA, for "Gravity vs. Friction - Round 1"
Catherine Perez of Hendon, VA, for "Short-Term Memory"
Grade 8: Nick Erickson of Hendon, VA, for "Does Pain Affect Memory"
Grade 9: Lawrence Okwali of Silver Spring, MD, for "Cloning: The Dream of
Yesterday, Reality of Today"
Matt Davis Purucker of Silver Spring, MD, for "BSE: Mad Cow Disease"
Allyson Sasser of Silver Spring, MD, for "STD's"
Grade 11: Karen Zalos of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Echinoderm Phylum"

Semi-Finalists

- Grade 6: Alexander Dulchinos of Birchrunville, PA, for "Microbots, Warriors of the
Future"
Bernard Lazarus Lieberman of Philadelphia, PA, for "Oxygen, the Essence
of Life"
Kendra Rice of Philadelphia, PA, for "Matter and It's Four Phases"
David Riddell of Philadelphia, PA, for "The Big Bang"
Grade 7: Damodhar P. Mallya of Chadds Ford, PA, for "Tuberculosis"
Maria Navarro of Lancaster, CA, for "A Turtle is Not Just a Turtle"
Grade 8: Alena Bridges of Philadelphia, PA, for "What Exactly is Glaucoma"
Chris Nirschl of Hendon, VA, for "The Principles of Salt and Mold"
Heather Wilson of Philadelphia, PA, for "The Electromagnetic Spectrum"
Grade 9: Katie-Lee Barrow of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Desert"
Aaron Erez of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Decline of the Oyster
Population in the Chesap"
Julie Furbush of Silver Spring, MD, for "So What About Horseshoe
Crabs?"
Armen Ghazarian of Silver Spring, MD, for "Evolution"
Rashi Narain of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Special Sense"
Derrick Wigglesworth of Silver Spring, MD, for "Angiogenesis Inhibitors
in the Treatment of Cancer"
Grade 10: Arvid Gooray of Silver Spring, MD, for "Cloning"
Aisha Elizabeth Memon of Silver Spring, MD, for "Adolescent
Depression"
Grade 11: Becky Hassett of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Effect of Age on Sleep"
Sung In Marshall of Silver Spring, MD, for "Tossing and Turning: Sleep
Disorders"
Ratul Narain of Silver Spring, MD, for "Surgery in Ancient Times"

SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY ART

Grand Prize Winners

- Grade 5: Daniel Deibler of Manheim, PA, for "Quest"
Grade 8: Adrianna Carranza of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Saving the Angel"
Grade 11: Dickson Yuen of Gaithersburg, MD, for "Synthetic Self"

Finalists

- Grade 3: Robert Berenato of Philadelphia, PA, for "Fogars-Fire Fantasy"
DeVante Wilson of Philadelphia, PA, for "Future Dog Motorcycle"
Grade 4: Jayzel A. Crespo of Long Beach, CA, for "The Terminator"
Lauren R. Mandel of West Windsor, NJ, for "Lab Animals"
Rachel Nelson of Huntington Beach, CA, for "The Legend of the Unicorns"
Grade 7: Marlena Sieradzki of Philadelphia, PA, for "Cat-Bird"
Grade 8: Clay Davis of Hendon, VA, for "Sti the Masked Guardian"
Doreen Garner of Philadelphia, PA, for "In a Fantasy World"
Daniel Zhao of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Dragoon of the Lost Realm"
Grade 9: Stephanie Hing of Sydney, Australia, for "End of Millenium Clearance Sale"
Grade 10: Jason Zuckerman of West Hills, CA, for "Mission: Primal"
Grade 11: Samantha Laffery of Calabasas, CA, for "Midnight Doesn't Wait for Cinderella"
Grade 12: Eli Begler of Long Beach, CA, for "The Wave"

Semi-Finalists

- Grade K: Andrew Young of West Grove, PA, for "Super Mario to the Rescue"
Grade 1: Joey Sciascia of Philadelphia, PA, for "Attack"
Grade 2: Kelsee Beck of San Gabriel, CA, for "Together as One"
Sonja Tessa Donaldson of Columbia, MD, for "Space Trip"
Frederick Gonzalez of San Gabriel, CA, for "SMVEMJSUNP"
Pedro Sanchez of San Gabriel, CA, for "What's in Space?"
Grade 3: Ricky A. Gonzalez of Herndon, VA, for "Rocket Blast"
Melissa Pagano of Philadelphia, PA, for "Stay Out of the Bathroom"
Grade 5: Brittany Elizabeth Clark of Philadelphia, PA, for "Harry Potter"
Emily Perry of Falls Church, VA, for "The Fight on Island Lewa"
Lindsay Scoffone of Philadelphia, PA, for "The Many Creatures on Pluto"
Gabriella Siligrini of Philadelphia, PA, for "My Sister the Alien"
Nicole Spera of Philadelphia, PA, for "Alien Invaders"
Jay Sui of Cerritos, CA, for "Ahhh"
Alexandria Todaro of Philadelphia, PA, for "Earth Aliens"
Grade 6: Samantha Spera of Philadelphia, PA, for "Space Tag"
Mary Jue Xu of West Chester, PA, for "Birds of the Wizard World"
Grade 7: Benjamin Benné of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Take Flight"
Jerber Calderon of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Dragonball Z"
Victoria Chao of Oakton, VA, for "Two Worlds Within One Body"
Jessica Chi of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Celestial China"
Miguel Deni of Philadelphia, PA, for "Meltdown Monstrosity"

- Stella Kim of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "The Maiden's Lake"
 Robyn Kleiner of Rockville, MD, for "Smoke Before Fire"
 Andy Lyuh of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Aliens and Humans Can Live Together"
 Eunice Park of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "From . . . The Chronicles of Narnia"
 Jackie Romo of Silver Spring, MD, for "Last Moment With You"
 Aaron Shinn of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Super Martian"
 Kristy Ann Wallach of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Science in Full Swing"
 Cindy Yoon of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Paradise Under the Sea"
 Grade 8: Gregory Alvarado of La Puente, CA, for "The Great Faries Sword"
 Cecile Bhang of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Space Station"
 Jessica Chaney of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Aliens Have Come"
 Douglas Chung of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Animal Hybrid Theory"
 Adam Elbaitimy of Bensalem, PA, for "Johnny Matchhead and Friends"
 K. Tyler Henry of Joppa, MD, for "Dragon Wars"
 Judy Kaing of La Puente, CA, for "The Land of the Good"
 Edgar Lim of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Ultimate Conflict"
 Michelle Tseng of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "The Magical Sea"
 Stephen Wood of Philadelphia, PA, for "Spawn"
 Robert Yu of Hacienda Heights, CA, for "Life on a Different Planet"
 Grade 9: Justin Rick Pichetrungsi of Reseda, CA, for "J.P.A-bot"
 Grade 10: Paul Montgomery of Philadelphia, PA, for "Dark Manticore from the Wastes of Shem"
 Grade 11: LiAnn Herman of Long Beach, CA, for "Duel in the Clouds"
 Wen Hsiu Lo of North Potomac, MD, for "Angel of Death"

SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY STORIES

Grand Prize Winners

- Grade 3: Jacqueline Measer of Glendora, CA, for "The Human Cloning"
 Grade 4: Hailey Eckroth of Huntington Beach, CA, for "A Birthday Surprise"
 Grade 5: Peri Gustafson of Bethesda, MD, for "Time Flies"
 Grade 6: Laurel Oldach of Towson, MD, for "Labyrinth"
 Grade 7: Anne Marie Porter of Burtonsville, MD, for "The Petty Police"
 Grade 8: Dagmara Ariana Kalnins of Fairfax, VA, for "The Author"
 Grade 9: Megan Messenger of Stratford, CT, for "Lucky"
 Grade 10: Winnie Chao of Oakton, VA, for "Angel"
 Grade 12: Janice Leahy of Silver Spring, MD, for "Portending Storm"

Finalists

- Grade 2: Joshua Buie of Columbia, MD, for "The Live Soccer Ball"
 Grade 3: Kathryn Harrold of Glendora, CA, for "The Leprechaun Adventure"
 Jalil Phillips of Philadelphia, PA, for "My Friend"
 Jamar Phillips of Philadelphia, PA, for "The Imaginary Game"
 Grade 4: Lisa Hartley of Huntington Beach, CA, for "Mr. Snarls"
 Lauren R. Mandel of West Windsor, NJ, for "Tribbolie"
 Soraya Miller of Huntington Beach, CA, for "Diamond, The Wizard, and Dragon"

- Travis Wear of Huntington Beach, CA, for "Clone Nightmares"
- Grade 5: Amy Fearheller of Pottstown, PA, for "Courageous Rebecca and the Wicked Giant"
- Fiona A. Forney of Annville, PA, for "Aborgal's Amulet"
- Alison Hird of Washington, DC, for "Celia and the Dragon"
- Abby Segner of Pottstown, PA, for "The Point of No Return"
- Grade 6: Christopher Alison of Falls Church, VA, for "Selection"
- Madelyn Hoagland-Hanson of Philadelphia, PA, for "Rhyming Games"
- Brendan Sullivan of Philadelphia, PA, for "Some Things Just Shouldn't Be Messed With"
- Sunny Zhu of West Chester, PA, for "Another Realm"
- Grade 7: Lauren DeLuca of Audubon, PA, for "Thermophobia"
- Richard Mather "Matt" Devens III of Silver Spring, MD, for "Spawn of the Northern Lights"
- Emily Rector of Moorestown, NJ, for "Moonshine"
- Jessica Ward of Laguna Hills, CA, for "Dragonflame"
- Grade 8: Rosemary D'Amour of Gaithersburg, MD, for "Moonstruck"
- Liz Dunn of West Norriton, PA, for "Picture Perfect"
- Kelli Beth Gradel of Pottstown, PA, for "The First Guardians"
- Michael T. Peterman Jr. of Philadelphia, PA, for "The Genesis Years"
- Kate Smith-Morse of Falls Church, VA, for "The Master, The Might, The Mind, and the Mercy"
- Grade 9: Catherine Craven of Telford, PA, for "Once Upon a Time"
- Lara Sodomini of Londenberg, PA, for "Moira"
- Alyse Stehli of Lititz, PA, for "The Serpent"
- David Tarr of Silver Spring, MD, for "Chaos Asunder"
- Grade 10: Yu Gan of Baltimore, MD, for "The VorTek Effect"
- Rachel Lee of Silver Spring, MD, for "D&D"
- Patrick M. Lowman of Silver Spring, MD, for "Path of Darkness, Path of Light"
- Alison Whitney of Silver Spring, MD, for "Lost"
- Grade 11: Kate Burgauer of Peoria, IL, for "See No Evil"
- Kirsten Ederer of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Art of Mastery"
- Grade 12: Michael Haining of Gurnee, IL, for "The Citadel at Deos"
- Lawrence Whitney of Silver Spring, MD, for "Falling Through Time"

Semi-Finalists

- Grade 2: Lauren Victoria Cook of Columbia, MD, for "Lost on Earth"
- Sonja Tessa Donaldson of Columbia, MD, for "Space Trip"
- Jorin Schug of Wyndmoor, PA, for "Pilot John in Space"
- Rachel Slahetka of Elkridge, MD, for "Amy's Plant"
- Grade 3: Michael Murphy of Covina, CA, for "Mega Buzz and High Monster"
- Cameron Schlager of San Dimas, CA, for "Bluebazee: The Hidden City"
- Marco Suarez of Azusa, CA, for "The Buggy Story"
- Grade 4: Acacia Bonura of Huntington Beach, CA, for "The Lost Kingdom"
- Nathan Bowers of Huntington Beach, CA, for "Dr. Smithenbacher"
- Delany Buccola of Huntington Beach, CA, for "Planet Soccer"
- Catie Burns of Huntington Beach, CA, for "My Many Adventures in a Minute"
- Ryan Christie of Westminster, CA, for "The Talking Football of St. Louis"

- Caitlin Moore of Huntington Beach, CA, for "The Cowgirls Who Went to Mars"
- Rachel Nelson of Huntington Beach, CA, for "The Legend of the Unicorns"
- Kate Terese Rasmussen of Huntington Beach, CA, for "The Baby Dragon"
- Michael Steinkirchner of Huntington Beach, CA, for "The Search"
- David Wear of Huntington Beach, CA, for "Alien in Las Vegas"
- Adam Weiss of Huntington Beach, CA, for "The Dragon Space Station"
- Grade 5: Tim Brooks of Falls Church, VA, for "Zepplar: The Land of Water"
- Seth Ensign of Falls Church, VA, for "Abducted"
- Roselyn Florio of Drexel Hill, PA, for "Operation S.T.E.P. (Save The Earth's Population)"
- Francesca Furchtgott of Bethesda, MD, for "Mischief at the Dragon Ball"
- John Glanski of Pottstown, PA, for "The Trip to Gordon's Lair"
- Sushmita Gordhandas of Falls Church, VA, for "The Test"
- Benjamin Keens of Falls Church, VA, for "The Mystery of the Pink Dust"
- Vincent J. Lanni of Drexel Hill, PA, for "Tommy's Dilemma"
- Ilyana Mansfield of Huntsville, TX, for "Flat Cats"
- Christopher C. McKee of Pottstown, PA, for "The Legend of the Lost Phoenix"
- Sean Mondragon of Falls Church, VA, for "Joshua and the Dragon"
- Emily Perry of Falls Church, VA, for "The Fight on Island Lewa"
- Grade 6: Emma Bloomfield of West Chester, PA, for "Hologram Man"
- Brian Bonner of Philadelphia, PA, for "Johnny's Adventure"
- Jolene Frances Busher of Weatherly, PA, for "The Ring"
- Jordan Cavanaugh of Oakton, VA, for "My 15 Minutes"
- Aaron Donnerberg of Baltimore, MD, for "God"
- Andrew Geliebter of Philadelphia, PA, for "Diary of an Astronaut"
- Emily Haskel of Baltimore, MD, for "The Silver Spoon"
- Yuki Katayama of Cerritos, CA, for "Marine Expedition: Escape of the Platypuses"
- Sarah Elizabeth Epstein Marzen of McLean, VA, for "The Discovery"
- Sarah Pope of Gaithersburg, MD, for "A Walk in the Woods"
- Rebecca Turtledove of Chatsworth, CA, for "Soul of Ashes"
- Calvin Woodring of Atglen, PA, for "Family Heritage"
- Grade 7: Dylan Anthony of Silver Spring, MD, for "Not Always What It Seems"
- Erica Baumgartner of Silver Spring, MD, for "A Tale of Two Friends"
- Paul Cleveland of West Chester, PA, for "Mr. Linden's Library"
- Katie Connolly of River Forest, IL, for "The Elixir of Night"
- Adrienne DeVita of Aston, PA, for "Rhapsody's Expedition"
- Kyle Glasgow of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Game"
- Mary Lewis of Silver Spring, MD, for "Moonlight Dancers"
- Jared Marcot of Silver Spring, MD, for "Candy Kingdom"
- Jared McGrath of Silver Spring, MD, for "Labyrinth"
- Ryan McInerney of Alexandria, VA, for "Intrigue Over Sunwood"
- Shaun Meyers of West Grove, PA, for "Terra's Fate"
- Jesse Mueller of Silver Spring, MD, for "Martin"
- Michael L. Nwaka of Burtonsville, MD, for "The Basement"
- Elizabeth Otto of Kensington, MD, for "Mistakes"
- Long Ouyang of Vienna, VA, for "All the World's A Stage"
- Kevin Rivera of Philadelphia, PA, for "Manny and the Football Robot"

- Emily Schelle of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Not So Boring Christmas Party"
- Lena Shrestha of Vienna, VA, for "Survival in Space City"
- Courtney Stuntz of Silver Spring, MD, for "A Witch's Only Weakness"
- Taylor Anne Waites of Silver Spring, MD, for "Multiplied"
- Michelle Wrambel of Aston, PA, for "The Darkness of Dreams"
- Grade 8: Nina Borowski of Germantown, MD, for "Blondie, Just Like Always"
- Jimmy L. Castillo of Long Beach, CA, for "Spells and Songs"
- Jessica Hale of Baltimore, MD, for "Looking for Help (or the Truth About the Loch Ness)"
- Kathleen Rose Harrington of Baltimore, MD, for "What Eyes Cannot See"
- Kaity Hill of Oakton, VA, for "Passports"
- Huma Imtiaz of Philadelphia, PA, for "Night of Blood and Fire"
- Solia Kem of Germantown, MD, for "Try a Day in My Life"
- Hannah Madej of Montgomery Village, MD, for "X and the Virus"
- Ashley McCasland of Germantown, MD, for "The Judge's Decision"
- Laura Thomas of Columbia, MD, for "Ummei Shi"
- Grade 9: Victoria Charles of Silver Spring, MD, for "In the Light of the Blood Moon"
- Vivian Chuen of Olney, MD, for "A Reflection of Ourselves. . . ."
- Alisyn Hertrick of Yardley, PA, for "Rye"
- Stephanie Hing of Sydney, Australia, for "Caged"
- Matt Irvin of Silver Spring, MD, for "A Calling From Beyond"
- Claudia Leahy of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Fat Cow"
- Rebecca Lee of Silver Spring, MD, for "Gene Fight"
- Anthony Phonethibsavads of Santa Ana, CA, for "The Chosen Strife"
- Elena Plionis of McLean, VA, for "Karma Slave"
- David Paul Prina of Yorba Linda, CA, for "Portal"
- Julie Rogers of Silver Spring, MD, for "Down the Hole"
- Aleksandr Samoylov of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Price"
- John Van Dyke of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Enlightenment"
- Matthew M. Verghese of Laurel, MD, for "Cold Fire"
- Grade 10: Aissatou Barry of Silver Spring, MD, for "Cold as Ice"
- Thomas E. Fenstermacher Jr. of Silver Spring, MD, for "Houston 217"
- Sam Goering of Silver Spring, MD, for "All in a Day's Work"
- Jason Kensky of Silver Spring, MD, for "Slow Motion"
- Ryan Lanman of Silver Spring, MD, for "My Friend Joe"
- John Lee of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Human Knowledge"
- Gavrav Madan of Silver Spring, MD, for "A New Life"
- Catherine Manners of North Potomac, MD, for "Hope's Gardens"
- Anise Naber-Morris of Silver Spring, MD, for "Memories"
- Alanna Ni of Silver Spring, MD, for "The Silver Tree"
- Nicholas Weikel of Silver Spring, MD, for "Prince of Shadows: A Fantasy Story"
- Grade 11: Katie Bianco Gaughan of Silver Spring, MD, for "Insurance for Life"
- Joe Howley of Silver Spring, MD, for "Playing the Numbers"
- Tae Kang of Silver Spring, MD, for "Even Though the Death separates our Relationship.."
- Elizabeth Lewis of Sterling, VA, for "Destroyer of Worlds"
- Michelle Orton of Silver Spring, MD, for "Destruction's Creation"
- Supria Ranade of Silver Spring, MD, for "Our Country, Right or Left"
- Grade 12: Robert Stouffer of Connellsville, PA, for "Few Are Chosen"
- Catherine Yee of Silver Spring, MD, for "A Woman's World"

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