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**VIRGIN ISLANDS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ANNOUNCES VIRGIN ISLANDS HISTORY MONTH ART CONTEST WINNERS**

The 17<sup>th</sup> Elected Virgin Islands Board of Education wishes to congratulate all participants in the Virgin Islands History Month Art Contest. There were over 50 participants territory-wide. A team of six judges from the St. Thomas/St. John District and the District of St. Croix had a difficult time judging the contest. Nevertheless, esteemed judges: Felipe Ayala Jr., Chairman of the Historic Preservation Commission and avid art and West Indian antique collector; Dimitri Copeman, accomplished musician and local historian; Marilyn Krigger, retired professor of history and former member of the Virgin Islands Board of Education; John Jones, retired art educator and local artist, Gregory Samuel, local jeweler and artist; and Stuart Rames, retired fireman and local artist, combined their artistic talent and knowledge of Virgin Islands History to select the following winners:

**K-4th Grade**

1st Place - Gelannet Christopher- Emmanuel Benjamin Oliver School- *Addelita Cancryn*- \$200.00  
2nd Place - Lianne Rivera- Alexander Henderson School- *Queens of the Fireburn* - \$150.00  
3rd Place - Paul W. Hayes- Herbert Lockhart School- *The Aminas*- \$100.00

**5-8 Grade**

1st Place - Ajahni Rosario-Ricardo Richards School- *Peter G. Thurland* - \$250.00  
2nd Place - Adeana Jackson- Arthur A Richards JH School- *Pissarro Camille* - \$200.00  
3rd Place - Cas Sandra E'Bas-Yvonne E Milliner Bowsky School- *Enid Maria Baa* - \$150.00  
Honorable Mention- D'Sean Sweeney-Arthur A. Richards School- *Tim Duncan*  
Honorable Mention- Miajah Benton-Juanita Gardine School- *The Quadrille Dancers*

**9-12 Grade**

1st Place - Alayna Caraballo-Central High School- *Queen Mary Fireburn* - \$300.00  
2nd Place - Aldemar Santos-Central High School- *Slave Ships* - \$200.00  
3rd Place - Monét Roserie- St. Croix Ed. Complex- *The Man behind the Sugar Cane* - \$150.00

The Board of Education wishes to thank the Virgin Islands Lottery who sponsored the cash prizes in the amount of \$1,700.00. Without the Virgin Islands Lottery Sponsorship these generous prizes would not be possible. Winners may pick up their prizes at the Board offices, for more information please contact Patricia Schrader-Cooke, Esq. at 340-772-4144.

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Virgin Islands Board of Education is committed to its vision and will promote the transformation of the structure of existing public education through: 1. governance over the public education system; 2. improved student, parent, teacher relationship; 3. comprehensive community engagement; 4. standards that promote high academic achievement; 5. creation of an environment that is conducive to effective communication; 6. enhanced quality of professional development for all; 7. provision of adequate resources to achieve our vision, goals and objectives.

**VISION STATEMENT**

To ensure that each child is provided with the best quality education which promotes our history and culture, guarantees academic achievement and builds strong communities.