



THE LOCKWOOD-MATHEWS MANSION MUSEUM
A Registered National Historic Landmark

2023 Lockwood-Mathews Mansion Museum's Young Writers' Competition

My Museum Adventure

Grades 6 – 8 Background Information & Requirements

Background Information

Participants will write an essay about a historic landmark or museum that they have visited or would like to visit in the future. Young writers should try to persuade the reader of the importance of their topic and why this place is historically significant. Below are a few sample questions to help students brainstorm a topic:

- What is a historic landmark, museum, or historic site that you have visited or want to visit?
- Who was the most inspiring or memorable person featured in the exhibitions?
- What was the most intriguing artifact displayed and why?

We encourage participants to reach out to LMMM's Education team to confirm if a topic qualifies for submission. Essays submitted cannot feature people, groups, places, or inventions of a crude or hateful nature or that incited violence. Any essay that does so will be immediately disqualified.

Requirements

- Minimum of 3 and no more than 5 typed pages, double-spaced and 12-point font.
- 5 reputable cited sources in MLA format.
 - **Please visit our website for additional resources on how to create a works cited page, how to properly cite sources, and how to find reliable sources.**
- Each submission must include the following at the top of the first page:
 - The submission's title.
 - The student's full name, school and grade level, and their town and State of residence.
- Submissions due by **Fri., Dec. 1, 2023.**
- **To submit stories:**
 - For Educators: request a pickup from a LMMM representative: (203) 838-9799 ext. 117
 - Email: education@lockwoodmathewsmansion.com
 - Mail to: LMMM Education Program, YWC 2023
PO Box 488
Norwalk, CT 06856

Awards and Prizes

- Competition winners will be awarded cash and other prizes.
- The Awards Ceremony for winners and their families will be held in early **2024**. The date for the Awards Ceremony is forthcoming.
- **All Winning Submissions will be available to read by winners, dignitaries, and LMMM Volunteers.**

Questions?

Contact the Education Coordinator Charles Hill.

- Email: education@lockwoodmathewsmansion.com / Phone: (203) 838-9799 ext. 117