St. Photios Greek Orthodox National Shrine 2022 Essay Contest

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In an essay of 950-1,050 words, compare and contrast the immigrant story of the Greek Colonists of 1768 with the immigrant story of a family member or of a personal friend.



Essay Contest Theme

Most Americans treasure an immigrant story as it is a precious thread in the legacy of most families. There is a curiosity as to why the immigrant left their homeland. We wonder what opportunity presented itself for a change. We want to know what was met upon arrival in the New World and what course their life took.

Evaluation of Essays

Judges take into consideration the following:

- The essay is interesting and inspirational; focused and engaging
- Clarity of the essay introduction and whether or not the thesis presentation draws the reader into the essay
- Developed paragraphs with relevant points and examples
- Use of proper grammar and flow of ideas
- Artistic use of language
- Source documentation and bibliography

Judges

Dianna Christakos, M.Ed. *High School English Teacher (retired)*

The Honorable Eleni Elia, J.D. Circuit Court Judge

Timothy Johnson, Ph.D. History Chair, Flagler College, St. Augustine, FL

Additional Details

- Essay submission deadline:
 December 2, 2022
- PDF Format
- Emailed to info@stphotios.com
- Minimum 950 words
 Maximum 1,050 words
- Submission must include on separate page:
 - Author's name
 - Date of birth
 - U.S. mailing address
 - Email address
 - Phone number
 - Home parish name, city & state
- Winners will be chosen from the following categories:
 - 13-15 year old participants
 - 16-19 year old participants

Winners of each category will receive an award of \$1,000

All will receive a Certificate of Participation from The Archbishop of America

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