

NYACK LIBRARY

Local History Scholarship

This award will recognize a graduating Nyack High School senior demonstrating skills, achievements, and interest in history - especially the history of Nyack. Applications will be accepted from any interested Nyack High School senior continuing their education at an accredited college or university. The award is \$1,000.

The recipient of the scholarship will be chosen based on the candidate's application and essay. The candidate's essay may be on a topic of their choice, relevant to the history of Nyack, and should be comprehensive, insightful, and original. Essays should be 1000+ typed words.

Applicants are required to use the resources in The Nyack Library Local History Room and are invited to contact the Local History Librarian, Kat Sullivan, to set an appointment for research and/or discuss possible essay topics. All submissions should be based on original research by the candidate and should rely heavily on primary source documents. A bibliography will be required and will not count toward the overall word count.

Essays should be thoroughly researched and sourced. Candidates should expect to use newspapers, photographs, maps and/or print sources to support their research. Candidates should engage with the materials and expect to make multiple visits to the Nyack Library Local History Room, please plan your time accordingly. Personal essays will not be considered.

Submissions will be judged on the following criteria:

- Topic selection
- Originality
- Accuracy
- Style
- Mechanics

Submissions must be received (in-person or by email) by March 29, 2024.

Submit application and essay to: ksullivan@nyacklibrary.org

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