

I FOUND IT IN THE ARCHIVES

Contest Entry Form, Release and Waiver

The National Archives and Records Administration is sponsoring the *I Found It In The National Archives* essay and video contest to show how the items and information found in the nation's archives touch peoples' lives. We're seeking entrants who have found something special in our collections – records, documents, photos, recordings, a meaningful item or treasure. If it has meaning to you, it has meaning to us and is a wonderful basis for your entry.

Between June 9, 2011 and the close of entries on August 09, 2011, we ask that you submit either:

A 400-word essay describing your quest for information and explaining why finding it has made a difference for you.

A video of no more than 2 minutes in which you describe your quest for information and explain why finding it has made a difference for you.

This entry form must accompany your entry and can be submitted along with the essay or video as an attachment to your email or mailed to us at the above address. If you are submitting your entry via Tumblr, you must add the tag *ifoundit2011* to your entry in order to be considered for the contest. By adding this tag, you agree to abide by the terms and conditions set forth in this waiver and release.

There will be five (5) finalists in this competition, whose essays and videos will be posted online for a public vote. The essay and video with the most votes will be declared the winner and will receive a prize chosen by the National Archives staff from the Archives gift shop, and is not to exceed \$50.00 in value. Two runners-up will also receive a prize from the Archives gift shop; each prize will not exceed \$25.00 in value and will also be chosen by the National Archives staff.

RULES

You must be 18 years of age or older at the date of entry.

You may submit only one entry. Submitting more than one entry will disqualify you.

You may submit your entry by email at ifoundit@nara.gov, on Tumblr at <http://usnatarchivesfoundit.tumblr.com/> or by mailing it to us at the following address:

"I Found it in the National Archives"
c/o Kristen Albrittain, Rm. 3200
National Archives at College Park
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

In order to be eligible for a prize, you must not currently be employed or previously have been employed by the National Archives and Records Administration – whether as employee or contractor – or related to a member of the same household as a National Archives and Records Administration employee or contractor.

Your entry becomes the property of the National Archives and Records Administration. We reserve the right to post your essay and photograph or video online or in print form. Materials will not be returned.

TIMELINE

Entries must be received (or postmarked) by August 9, 2011, 11:59PM EST.

Semi-finalists will be notified by August 23, 2011 and their essays or videos posted online at <http://usnatarchivesfoundit.tumblr.com/voting> for a public vote.

The close of public voting will be September 13, 2011, 11:59PM EST.

The winners of the competition will be notified on September 16, 2011.

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Entry Application

Please complete this form and answer all questions. Your entry will not be considered if it has any incomplete fields or if any questions are not answered. You may download this form, complete it, and attach it to your emailed entry OR you may mail your essay or video, along with your entry form, so that it is postmarked before 11:59 PM Eastern time on Tuesday, August 9, 2011. If you are submitting your entry via our Tumblr page, you acknowledge that by adding the required entry tag *ifoundit2011* you agree to these terms and conditions.

FIRST NAME:

EMAIL:

ARE YOU 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER?:

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN EMPLOYED BY THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION?*

ARE YOU OR YOUR EMPLOYER A CONTRACTOR TO [THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION]?*

ARE YOU RELATED TO, OR A MEMBER OF A HOUSEHOLD OF, A CURRENT OR FORMER EMPLOYEE OR CONTRACTOR OF THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION?*

IF YOUR ENTRY IS SELECTED AS A FINALIST, YOU WILL BE CONTACTED FOR MORE INFORMATION FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011.

I have signed this application and the attached release and waiver on the [DAY] of [MONTH], 2011. I affirm that the statements made by me herein are accurate and truthful. I also affirm that I understand that my essay and photograph or my video may be displayed on the National Archives and Records Administration's website, social media sites and print media and that, if I am a semi-finalist, my entry will be posted online for a public vote to determine the winners of this contest.

PRINT NAME:

SIGNATURE:

*If so, please know that your entry is not eligible for a prize and cannot be selected as a semi-finalist or finalist.

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Release and Waiver

In consideration for the opportunity to submit my Essay or Video and Entry Application to participate as an applicant in the *I Found It In The National Archives* contest being sponsored by The National Archives and Records Administration and for other good and valuable consideration, I irrevocably give The National Archives and Records Administration and its agents and contractors the right and permission to use, copy, alter, distribute, publish, broadcast, and display the Essay or Video that I have submitted;

photographs and images of me that I have provided or that they will create; my voice and likeness; my name; the city, state, or province in which I live; and other information and material included in my Entry Application, on The National Archives and Records Administration website, elsewhere on the Internet, in advertising and promotional materials, and in any other medium or format for any purpose related to the *I Found It In The National Archives* contest.

I acknowledge and agree that if I am selected as a finalist for the *I Found It In The National Archives* contest, The National Archives and Records Administration may post the Essay or the Video on the Internet and allow the public to vote and comment on the material and on whether I should be chosen as the winner of the *I Found It In The National Archives* contest sponsored by The National Archives and Records Administration.

I waive any right to royalties or other payment for the use of my Essay and photo or Video and I also waive the right to inspect or approve The National Archives and Records Administration use of the Essay and photo or Video and other materials that The National Archives and Records Administration may use with them.

I attest that there is no copyrighted material in my Essay or Video.

I release and waive and agree to hold The National Archives and Records Administration, its agents, and its contractors harmless from any claims, damages, or liabilities resulting from their use of the Essay or Video and I agree not to bring any such claims against the released parties at any time in the future. This includes, but is not limited to, claims for violation of publicity rights and privacy rights, claims based on moral rights, claims for intrusion, claims for defamation, claims for fraud, claims for infliction of emotional distress, and claims for copyright or other intellectual property infringement, whether those claims may be based on statutes or the common law.

I represent and warrant to The National Archives and Records Administration that:

- The Essay or Video is my original work.
- I have not granted anyone else any rights to use, distribute, publish, broadcast, or display the Essay or Video.
- I have the full right and authority to execute this Release and Waiver.
- I have all rights necessary to grant the rights, waivers, and releases granted in this Release and Waiver.
- I have read this Release and Waiver and I fully understand it.
- All statements and information included in my Entry Application and any other statements and information that I provided to or will provide to The National Archives and Records Administration are true and complete.

PRINT NAME:

SIGNATURE:

DATE: