

*In celebration of  
Women's History Month  
we invite you to submit an essay about a  
women who inspired you and how!*



**Deadline For Submission**

**MARCH 22, 2021**

**For High School Students**

**PRESENTED BY THE**

**Kaua'i Committee on the Status of Women**

# RULES – Women’s History Essay Contest 2021

- DEADLINE:** The Women’s History Month Essay Contest deadline is 4:30 p.m., Monday, March 22, 2021.
- SUBMISSION:** Essay and entry form must be submitted by email to: [smuragin@kauai.gov](mailto:smuragin@kauai.gov)  
Please title email with subject line: “lastnameinitialWHM2020” (*your last name, initial of your first name, WHM2020.*)  
An email confirmation will be sent within three business days. If you do not receive an email confirmation, please call 808-241-4919.  
All entries are the property of the Committee on the Status of Women. The decision of the judges and the committee is final.
- THEME:** To honor Women’s History Month students have the opportunity to reflect on and write about a women who inspired them and how.
- ENTRY FORM:** A completed and signed entry form must be submitted with your essay. Do not put your name on the essay.
- LENGTH:** Essay must be on one page, 12 point font, single space, with one inch margins on all sides.
- ELIGIBILITY:** The contest is open to all high school students (public, private, charter and home schooled) on Kaua’i. It is open to all genders. Each contestant must be a legal resident of the County of Kaua’i, Hawai’i at the time of submission.
- LANGUAGE:** Essays should be written in English; however, you are welcomed to write your essay in your native language (if not English) but it must be translated into English for submission.
- WINNERS:** The Committee on the Status of Women will select the top winners and announce in April 2021. Winning essays will be published on the Committee on the Status of Women website ([www.kauai.gov/kccsw](http://www.kauai.gov/kccsw)) and with press release to the Garden Island Newspaper and other media outlets.
- PRIZES:** Each winner will receive a cash award. The cash prize will come in a form of a check.
- EVALUATION CRITERIA:** Each submission will be read and evaluated using the following criteria:
- The theme must be clearly addressed.
  - The essay was organized and well-structured.
  - Essay content must include relevant, authentic information and ideas must be fully developed, and demonstrate critical and creative thinking.
  - Essay uses highly engaging and personal style. The author finds fresh or interesting ways to convey ideas. The author approaches the topic from a unique perspective.
  - The essay demonstrates that the author has genuinely explored the theme and how it relates to his or her own life. The essay reflects depth in reflection.
- PURPOSE:** To commemorate the Women’s History Month and shine recognition on women who have impacted and influenced our lives.

**Student Name:**

**Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** Hawai'i **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Legal Guardian Name(s):**

**Parent/Legal Guardian Cell Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent/Legal Guardian E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Name:**

**School Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** Hawai'i **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher Name:**

**Teacher E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**RELEASE STATEMENT**

As a parent/legal guardian, I acknowledge that my child has written the attached essay. Should she or he win the essay contest, I agree to allow the submitted essay to be distributed publicly.

As a parent/legal guardian, I hereby certify that I am the parent/legal guardian of

\_\_\_\_\_ (print student name)

and my child is a legal resident of the County of Kaua'i, Hawai'i.

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Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian Date

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