



# TEXAS HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE COMMISSION

## *2015 Genocide Awareness & Prevention Month Video Contest*

*How lovely to think that no one need wait a moment.  
We can start now, start slowly changing the world!*  
— Anne Frank

### **Theme: Creating a More Just World**

The availability of information at any time on any digital device means that we're often bombarded by painful, sometimes horrendous images, video, and news stories. We can feel overwhelmed by it all; on the other hand, this profusion can make us want to take actions to address these issues to create a more just world.

Think of a specific unjust situation that you feel is affecting your community or the world at large. Then craft an original 1 to 2 ½ minute video that addresses this issue, clarifying your concerns and showing what you think would be the best course of action to create a more just world.

The Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission (THGC) is dedicated to educating Texas residents about the Holocaust and other genocides. Genocides do not happen overnight, but start with creating confrontations that set others, the VICTIMS, apart as somehow being a threat to our well-being, and are generally unprovoked.

*Create an original 1 to 2 1/2 minute video for Genocide Awareness and Prevention Month, commemorated April 2015. All submissions are due by March 13, 2015.*

### **SCHOLARSHIP KEYS**

There are 2 grade categories – Grade 6-8 and Grades 9-12

▲ Gold Key \$375 ▲ Silver Key \$200 ▲ Bronze Key \$125

Teachers of the Gold Key winning students in each category will receive \$100 for class supplies.  
Entrants must attend a Texas school.

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## OFFICIAL RULES AND MORE DETAILS

- The videos can be no longer than 2 1/2 min. in length and must be posted and accessible online.
- Submissions must be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws.
- Students are encouraged to work in small groups on their entries, though individual submissions will also be accepted.
- To submit an entry, mail or email a completed copy of one application form and video permission forms for **each student who is part of the applying group**. The application form and permission form are available as a two-page document through the THGC website ([www.thgc.texas.gov](http://www.thgc.texas.gov)). **The forms must be completed fully and permission for video use granted to be considered.**

***All submissions MUST be received by March 13, 2015, electronically or by mail at the addresses below:***

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For more information about the contest, please contact Charles Sadnick at 512-463-8815.

Submission will be judged on relevance to the mission of the THGC and to this year's theme, originality, creativity, technical achievement, and emergence of an upstanding message or vision.

Results will be announced in April, and the winners and their teachers will be invited to receive their prizes at the THGC Quarterly Meeting on July 17, 2015 in Austin.

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The 2015 Genocide Awareness and Prevention Month Video Scholarship Prizes are generously underwritten by Dr. Kelli Cohen Fein and Martin Fein of Houston and by Permian Basin Youth Chaverim.

All submitted entries become property of the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission and may be shown, streamed, or otherwise used for Commission purposes.

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