4th Norwegian History Competition

"My Family on the Move" 2004/2005

Report

The theme of the contest was "My family on the move". 111 contributions from 124 pupils were handed in for the fourth competition round.

The winner in lower secondary schools was Jenny Isabel Carrasco Hestnes with her work under the title: Why my father had to move – The way from Chile to Norway and back again. In its judgement the jury writes: "...a moving, well written and personal narrative about how the modern history of Chile and the history of the father are linked and play a decisive role for the destiny of the author her self ...".

Sindre Wolpers Haugland got the second prize for his contribution *Ingrid and Audun were emigrating to Canada*. The jury especially appreciated the critical and systematic use of sources in his work.

In the upper secondary schools Ane Skeie Hermansen won the first prize. Her work is entitled: *History of the Teachers on the West Coast*. Through her grandparents she explains the building of national identity in the generation that, on the one hand, experienced the depression during the 30s and the Second World War, but on the other hand, regarded cultural issues as important for national independence.

Helge Neraal got the second prize for a work about his grandfather's life in the US in the 50s and 60s: *My family on the move.*

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