



UNION OF JAMAICAN ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS (USA), INC.

32st ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY COMPETITION RULES

Eligibility All 2022 United States High School graduates of Jamaican heritage.

Essay Topic **Being of Jamaican heritage and living in the United States of America provides a unique perspective of cultures and history. What would you say is the best of both worlds?**

The essay must include a comparison of culture and history, how and why you would embrace your choice, and what would your generation do to support that choice.

- Requirements**
- One entry per student,
 - Essay must be typed, double spaced and not exceed 5 pages; minimum 500 words.
 - Each page must be numbered.
 - Essay must have a cover page containing the title, the student's name.
 - Where applicable, footnotes and bibliography must be included in an appendix to the essay.
 - Each entry must be submitted with an **ESSAY COMPETITION ENTRY FORM**
 - Finalists must be prepared to be interviewed by the judges.
 - Essay entry must be postmarked/emailed no later than **Monday 6 June 2022** and mailed to:

**UJAA (USA), Inc.
2021 Essay Competition
229-19 Merrick Boulevard, #141
Springfield Gardens, NY 11413**

Or emailed to HSGAwards@ujaausa.org

For information, please call: **917-523-5887** or **516-713-8270**

Judging

General Merit

- Ideas
- Organization
- Wording
- Flavor

Mechanics

- Usage
- Punctuation
- Spelling

General Effect

- Written presentation

Prizes

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| GRAND PRIZE | - | A trip for 2 to Jamaica (<i>upgrade not included</i>) |
| ● 1 st | - | \$500 |
| ● 2 nd | - | \$300 |
| ● 3 rd | - | \$200 |
| ● 4 th | - | \$100 |
| ● Several consolation prizes | | |

All decisions by the judges will be final.

UJAA (USA), Inc. reserves the right not to award a prize at any level.

THE VIRTUAL AWARDS CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON:

Monday, 27 June 2022 at 7:00PM

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