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Pine-Richland students win big in Heinz History Center contest

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Pine-Richland students were among those recently honored by Senator John Heinz History Center.

More than 350 students in grades six through 12 from around the region competed in this year's National History Day competition.

This year's theme was "Breaking Barriers in History, " in the categories of documentaries, exhibits, historical papers, performances and websites.

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Among the Pine-Richland winners was Erina Fortune, who won first place in the senior individual documentary category for "The Birth of Combined Medicine: East Meets West."

Ella Giesecke and Katie Yanni took first for senior group documentary with "Breaking Boundaries in Women's Tennis."

Michael Alessi, Anthony Hartwick, Joshua Rembe and Victor Williams won first place in senior group performance for "A Walk Down Abbey Road: How the Beatles Broke Barriers in History."

The History Center will showcase many of this year's student projects on its website in the coming weeks. A full list of winners is available at www.heinzhistorycenter.org/education/national-history-day.

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