

CALLING ALL YOUNG INVENTORS!

*In keeping with the legacy of inventor Antonio Meucci,
The Garibaldi-Meucci Museum is pleased to announce the:*

2020

Antonio Meucci Young Inventors Competition



Throughout his lifetime, Antonio Meucci was responsible for many inventions, improvements and ideas. These inventions included smokeless candles, coffee and tea filtering systems, the first bubbly fruit soda, and most notable, the TELEPHONE!

The contest is open to NYC students in grades 3-8

Categories: grades 3-4 grades 5-6 grades 7-8

Students are to present an original idea for a new invention or for an improvement to an existing one. Cash prizes will be awarded to individuals or groups for best inventions.

3 First Place Winners will receive \$200.00 each

3 Second Place Winners will receive 100.00 each

3 Third Place Winners will receive \$50.00 each

For group entries, the awarded prize will be presented to the group representative who will distribute the prize equally to the group members.

**Deadline for Entries March 12th, 2020
Final Competition: Sunday, April 26, 2020
Staten Island Tech High School
485 Clawson St. Staten Island, NY 10306**

To request additional information, rules, and application procedures please contact Stephanie Lundegard Museum Administrator, slundegard@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org or program coordinator Bridgette Lowerre [@blowerre@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org](mailto:blowerre@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org)



ANTONIO MEUCCI YOUNG INVENTORS' COMPETITION OFFICIAL RULES:

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START DATE DECEMBER 2018

Contest must be submitted by March 12th 2020. Final Competition is Sunday April 26th, 2020.

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ELIGIBILITY: NYC GRADES 3-8

Individual or Group Entries permitted. Group projects must list names and information for each member. Maximum group number is 4. Prize is split between groups.

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IDEAS MUST COME FROM STUDENT

Inventions can be an improvement or original idea.

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COMPLETE PROJECTS

Only completed applications will be accepted. Applications will not be returned. Photographs and diagrams are not optional but highly recommended.

**DO NOT SEND COMPLETED PROJECT
PRELIMINARY JUDGING WILL BE DONE AT
GARIBALDIMEUCCIMUSEUM**

FINALISTS WILL BE NOTIFIED AND ASKED TO
CREATE AND PRESENT THEIR PROTOTYPE FOR
JUDGES ON THE FINAL COMPETITION DATE.

Individual Application /Group Application

Title of Your Invention:

Student's Name, Student's Address:

Student's home phone:

Parent's Name, Cell Phone Number & Email Address:

Student's school, grade school address, school phone number:

For Groups: A group representative will be in charge of your group. Please pick one! The Group representative designated to receive the prize and distribute it among other group members. You can have a total of 4 group members. Have each member of your group type of print the following information and submit them with your application and answer questions below:

Student's Name:

Student's Name, Student's Address:

Student's home phone:

Parent's Name, Cell Phone Number & Email Address:

Student's school, grade school address, school phone number:

Teacher's name, teacher's e-mail address:

Official Rules:

1. Contest start date: January 2020
2. Contest end date/Applications must be submitted by March 9th 2020
3. Final Competition April 26 2020
4. Venue: Staten Island Tech High School, 485 Clawson Street, Staten Island New York, 10306
5. Eligibility: New York City Students, grades 3-8
6. Individual or Group entries permitted
 - Group projects must list names and information for each group member
 - Maximum number for groups is 4. All students must be in the same grade.
 - Group must designate a group representative (and write that on sheet) who will be responsible for dividing prizes with other group members.
7. Only completed applications will be accepted. Applications will not be returned.
8. Photographs/diagrams are optional but highly recommended.
9. Ideas must be original from students and not from parents!

PRELIMINARY JUDGING OF APPLICATIONS WILL BE DONE IN HOUSE AT THE GMM.

**for a printable application please go to
our website at
www.garibaldimeuccimuseum.com**

Finalists will be notified and asked to create and present their prototype to the judges on April 26th 2020.

Mail or drop off entries to:

Garibaldi-Meucci Museum
420 Tompkins Ave,
Staten Island New York, 10305

Phone 718-442-1608

email us at blowerre@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org

website: www.garibaldimeuccimuseum.com

Individual and Group Application Q's:

1. *What is your idea for an invention? IS this a group or individual invention?*
2. *How or why did you come up with this idea? What motivated you?*
3. *Does your invention need power? IF yes, please explain.*
4. *What is the environmental impact of your invention? How does it help others or the world?*
5. *Explain how your invention would improve the quality of life of those who use it.*
6. *Outside of your group, did you have help with your invention? If yes, please explain.*
7. *What major scientific understanding have you learned while working on your invention?*
8. *What resources have you used to research or create your invention? (Library, Internet, Videos, Schoolwork)*
9. *Do you have all the materials and equipment you need for your science fair project?*
10. *What additional information would you like the judges to know about?*
11. *On a separate piece of paper with the same heading, sketch describe or take pictures of what your invention will look like. Title it, and detail all of the important parts, how they work together and explain how they will be used.*

**Please return all applications before
Friday March 9th, 2020 Mail or Drop off**

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**Semi-Finalists will be notified by telephone
or email.**

DEAR PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS, AND PARENT COORDINATORS,

We are happy to announce that it is that time of the year for your students to put on their thinking caps and take part of our upcoming "Young Inventors' Competition.'

In 2019 we have about 100 applications and inventors who participated in the contest for most creative and helpful invention. The final ceremony was an exciting experience for the children, their families friends and teachers. All participants received certificates of recognition from our Borough President, Senator and Council Members and our top 2 finalists from each grade received cash awards.

This year, we are pleased to announce that Jimmy Fallon and his crew will be scouting and keeping their eyes open for contestants for their show "Fallon-Ventions" which you could see on Youtube. We also will have the day covered by the Staten Island Advance.

The competition is open to the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students only, from New York City.

Please make copies and distribute the flyer and application forms to your teachers and students and let us know if you have any questions or need further assistance. You can call Stephanie Lundegard the Museum Administrator, or email the school program coordinator at blowerre@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org or call us (718)-442-1608

This years' Garibaldi-Meucci Museum, "Antonio Meucci Young Inventors" final competition will be held on Sunday, April 26th 2020, at Staten Island Technical High School located at 485 Clawson St, Staten Island, NY, 10306.

The Garibaldi-Meucci Museums' School Program Brochure is also enclosed, which describes our year round programs offered for school trips. Please look them over and call to arrange a school trip for our museum. This kids love learning about the TRUE INVENTOR of the Telephone, who lived and died on Staten Island New York as an Italian Immigrant and scientist. We would love to book your trip. It would be great for your students to learn about the man who inspired this Young Inventors Competition.

We look forward to having you! Good Luck on your Applicaitons

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