

4th Edition of the Spanish Eustory Competition

The Real Maestranza de Ronda organised, this year (2011), the 4th edition of Eustory in Spain, with the research topic "Local Heroes". This edition saw the writing of 14 different contributions from 24 participants.

The winning work this year was authored by three students from Comendador Juan Tavora highschool of Puertollano. The work, called "Felipe Ferreiro: a window onto history" is a short film that narrates the story of this inn-keeper and his contribution to his community. The theme of this year, "Local heroes" allowed for many pupils to explore what it means to be a hero in the context of a particular place and history. In fact, many works often dedicate a section to defining the significance of heroism in history.

Many of this year's works dealt with women as heroin figures, such as a special recognition winner, a work on the cigarette rollers of Cadiz, pioneers of industrialization in Spain and one of the first groups of women to work independently in Europe. The jury acknowledged and praised the fact that many of the works presented this year came in a multimedia form, showing there are many ways to investigate and explore history.

In total there was one winner, one second-place, and one special recognition by the jury. The RMR hopes that this year's edition will have growing participation as this year's contribution has stagnated from last year and the number of participants has decreased. The next edition will run on the topic "My family in history", an invitation for young historians to explore the role of their relatives in the broader historical context.