

## **The Statement of the Jury of the Belarusian Students' Research History Competition**

The competition "History in Home Photographer's vision" is the seventh one organized within the framework of the "Close History" Program. It was conducted by the Public Association "Dyjaryush" in cooperation with the Society of the Belarusian Language Named after F. Skaryna, the Association of Belarusian Nobility and the International Net of Research History Competitions EUSTORY.

**The competition "History in Home Photographer's vision" was announced** on March 1st, 2007. The research papers were submitted to the Competition Jury by November 1st, 2007. The competition is intended for pupils of secondary schools, lyceums, gymnasias (starting with the 7<sup>th</sup> form) as well as for students of vocational schools, technical secondary schools and colleges who are under 19 years old, that means for those of school age.

**Altogether there were 259 contributions submitted:** 2 from Brest district, 17 from Viciebsk district, 6 from Hrodna district, 5 from Homel district, 0 from Mahiliow district, 27 from Minsk district and 202 from the City of Minsk.

**Some schools can be noted for their active participation in the Competition.** These are schools of villages of Ikany (Barysaw region, Minsk district) and Dvarec (Dziatlava region, Hrodna district), schools of Maladechna (Minsk district), Hlybokaye Region Gymnasium (Viciebsk district), secondary school No. 2 in Sianno (Viciebsk district), Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering, gymnasium No. 21 in Minsk, as well as secondary schools No. 13 and No 138 in Minsk.

The Jury selected 35 winners who were invited to the award ceremony held in Minsk.

**The Jury consisted of the Main and Subsidiary divisions.** The members of the Main Jury were prominent Belarusian historians and men of letters including **Vital Skalaban, Uladzimir Arlow, Mikhas Charniawski, Ihar Kuzniatsou, Aleh Trusaw and Zakhar Shybieka.** The Jury's work was organized into 4 stages. At first the Secretary of the Competition selected the works that met the main competition requirements for further evaluation. Then the members of the Subsidiary Jury evaluated these contributions in the second and third rounds. After that each of the selected papers was independently evaluated by 2 different members of the Main Jury and the final decision was made. Each student's work had its code and was considered anonymously. There were selected 76 works for Jury's consideration at the 4<sup>th</sup> stages.

Extracts from the winners' contributions as well as the most interesting excerpts from other competition papers will be published in a separate book.

### **The following winners were awarded by the Competition Jury with:**

#### **First-degree diplomas and prizes (MP3 players)**

1. Marozka Iryna, a pupil of School No. 3 in Miory for the work "History of Miory Cathedral of the Assumption in photographs".

The tutor is Vitold Jermalionak.

2. Ushkur Natalla, a pupil of School No. 2 in Narach for the work "My Family History".

The tutor is Tamara Lapcik.

3. Bahdanovich Alaksiey, a pupil of School No. 105 in Minsk for the work “When my Granny was a girl...”.

The tutor is Iryna Zgrundo.

4. Sabalewskaja Kaciaryna, a pupil of School No. 9 in Zhodzina for the work “Memory of My Family Album”.

The tutor is Iryna Zgrundo.

5. Karol Kaciaryna, a pupil of the School of Dvarec village for the work “A Tacit Witness of Centuries”.

The tutor is Natalla Liawkievich.

### **Second-degree diplomas and prizes (USB Flash Drives)**

1. Piskunovich Viktoryja, a student of Hlybokaye Region Gymnasium for the work “A Moment Suddenly Stopped”.

The tutor is Taciana Bartkievich.

2. Liankievich Alaksiey, a student of Gymnasium No. 3 in Maladechna for the work “Our Roots are in Things of the Past...”.

The tutor is Natalla Liankievich.

3. Kudrashova Natalla, a pupil of School No. 128 in Minsk for the work “Narushevich: The Builder”.

The tutor is Maryna Azaronak.

4. Zhurawliow Alaksandr, a student of Gymnasium No. 1 in Liuban for the work “A Retrospective Look to the Town’s Past through History of a Family”.

The tutor is Natalla Siniak.

5. Kamarowskaja Maryna, a pupil of the School of Talka village for the work “History Lives in Photographs”.

The tutor is Natalla Illinich.

6. Viechar Volha, a student of Gymnasium No. 6 in Maladechna for the work “My Family History”.

The tutor is Siarhiej Nikicienkaw.

7. Shkoda Andrej, a student of Minsk College of Arts for the work “History of a Discovery, or Searching Lasts...”.

The tutor is Alena Shkoda.

8. Papkovich Alena, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work “Life is a Gift and a Pay”.

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

9. Pankievich Iryna , a pupil of School No. 10 in Lida for the work “Little History of a Big Family”.

The tutor is Maryja Pankievich.

10. Baravik Kryscina, a pupil of the School of Dvarec village for the work “Fate of a Man in Annals of History” .

The tutor is Natalla Liawkievich.

### **Third-degree diplomas and prizes (USB Flash Drives)**

1. Karpieka Andrej, a student of Gymnasium No. 21 in Minsk for the work “Belarus and Me, or Drawings in My Head”.

The tutors are Inesa Gankina, Valiancina Damashewskaja.

2. Lukashevich Hanna, a student of Hlybokaye Region Gymnasium for the work “Alien among Compatriots”.

The tutor is Taciana Bartkievich.

3. Laducka Marta, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work “Then History is Coming Alive...”.

The tutors are Zoja Bondar, Piatrovich Taciana.

4. Zaciupa Andrej, a pupil of School No. 2 in Sianno for the work “History in Home Photographer’s Vision”.

The tutor is Taciana Zaciupa.

5. Sharko Hanna, a student of Hlybokaye Region Gymnasium for the work “The Mistress of Her Own Fate”.

The tutor is Taciana Bartkievich.

6. Zhawtkowskaja Alina, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work “Rochavichy: Between the Past and the Future”.

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

7. Zaremba Iлона, a pupil of the School of Ikany village for the work “About the Land and the Faith”.

The tutor is Larysa Makhrankova.

8. Zinkovich Kiryl, a student of Gymnasium No. 21 in Minsk for the work “Traveling across History. At the Boundaries of Epochs (1918-1945)”.

The tutors are Inesa Gankina, Valiancina Damashewskaja.

9. Radzivanovich Alaksandr, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work “Truth behind the Front”.

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

10. Horbach Anastasija, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work "History of My Granny".

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmyankou.

11. Zamkovich Taciana, a student of the Gymnasium in Pruzhany for the work "The War Trace in My Family History".

The tutor is Tamara Liawchuk.

12. Shvajkowskaya Volha, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work "A Man's Fate".

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

13. Ciareshchanka Hanna, a pupil of School No. 13 in Zhlobin for the work "My Family Tree".

The tutor is Sviatlana Chakhava.

14. Hawrylovich Andrej, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work "I recover My Family Memory Looking at Remained Photos".

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

15. Khadnievich Arciom, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work "We Were Fated to Stay Alive".

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

16. Hrynievich Jawhien, a student of Hlybokaye Region Gymnasium for the work "My Granny Lived during a Few Epochs".

The tutor is Taciana Bartkievich.

17. Birkowskaya Anastasija, a pupil of School No. 1 in Khojniki for the work "Children of Secretary of Gmina Committee".

The tutor is Kazmirchuk Kaciaryna.

18. Maisiejenka Anzhalika, a pupil of School No. 1 in Maladechna for the work "History of the Family Tabor".

The tutor is Svyatlana Bildzyukevich.

19. Vianhura Kryscina, a pupil of the School of Khilchycy village for the work "Children of the War".

The tutor is Vianhura Nina.

20. Kavalchuk Anastasija, a pupil of School No. 1 in Druzny (Pukhavichy region, Minsk district) for the work "Discovering the Past of Pukhavichy Land through History of Monuments".

The tutor is I. V. Shawchonak.

**For using of unique historical materials in research work awarded:**

Chukhajew Siarhiej, a pupil of School No. 2 in Ros (Vawkavysk region, Hrodna district) for the work "History in Home Photographer's vision".

The tutor is Andrej Misiuk.

### **Forth-degree diplomas and prizes (sets of books, CD-disk)**

1. Viduk Aksana, a student of the Gymnasium in Marjina Horka (Pukhavichy region, Minsk district) for the work "I Just Heard About Him...".

The tutors are Sviatlana Bildziukievich.

2. Bialko Maryja, a pupil of School No. 2 in Sianno for the work "The War Was Coming Next Day...".

The tutor is Alena Mizawcova.

3. Sapocka Paviel, a student of State Lyceum No. 7 in Maladechna for the work "I Have No Right to Forget It...".

The tutors are Zoja Bondar, Taciana Piatrovich.

4. Piatlickaja Alena, a pupil of School No. 77 in Minsk for the work "My Grandfather was a Defender of Brest Fortress".

5. Khajnowski Siarhiey, a pupil of School No. 2 in Hlybokaye for the work "Man Reaches Glory Through His Task".

The tutor is Tamara P. Shylionak.

6. Navumaw Vasil, a pupil of School No. 1 in Shumilina (Viciebsk district) for the work "Two Fates of an Epoch".

The tutor is Marharyta S. Siamionava.

7. Kryshchanovich Anton, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work "Guilty without guilt".

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

8. Ihnatovich Alena, a pupil of the School of Ikany village for the work "The field of memory".

The tutor is Larysa Makhrankova.

9. Rabaja Nadzieja, a pupil of School No. 4 in Ivacevichy (Brest district) for the work "The Line".

The tutor is Hanna A. Pakala.

10. Zapiasochny Paviel, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work "My Family Roots are in This Land...".

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

11. Biznko Volha, Mialukha Iryna, pupils of School No. 1 in Druzhny (Pukhavichy region, Minsk district) for the work "History of My Country in the Mirror of My Family Tree".

The tutor is N. A. Dziamidava.

12. Lahodzich Hanna, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work "In Torture Chambers of NKVD".

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

13. Zhurnia Dyjana, a pupil of the School of Slabodka village (Braslaw region, Viciebsk district) for the work “Ost-Arbeiter G.I.C. 5763”.

The tutor is V. I. Khodas.

14. Siamionava Taciana, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work “My Regards to You, Land of Paliessie”.

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

15. Cishewskaja Alena, a pupil of School No. 14 in Maladechna for the work “I Have Got My Forefathers' Heritage...”.

16. Shlapakova Karyna, a pupil of School No. 1 in Haradok (Viciebsk district) for the work “My Grandfather's Life After the War”.

The tutor is Taciana Bartkievich.

17. Partny Dzmitr, a student of Buda-Kashaliova Agro-Technical College (Homiel district) for the work “Partisant Struggle During the 1<sup>st</sup> World War in Vision of Contemporaries”.

The tutor is Taciana Kacura.

18. Akulich Siarheij, a student of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering for the work “The War ‘Without Neckties’ ”.

The tutor is Uladzimir Surmiankow.

19. Smirnova Alena, a pupil of School No. 83 in Minsk for the work “My family history in photos”.

The tutor is Natalla V. Janushkievich.

20. Shylko Marta, Nasiakajla Viktoryja, students of Gymnasium No. 3 in Maladechna for the work “Town`s History in Fate of Families Nasiakajla and Shylko”.

The tutor is Natalla Liankievich.

21. Rudas Jelizavieta, a pupil of School No. 1 in Viciebsk for the work “A Thing That Revives History”.

**The following tutors and competition co-coordinators were awarded  
by the Competition Jury:**

1. Bartkievich Taciana, a teacher of School No. 3 in Hlybokaye
2. Gankina Inesa, a teacher of Gymnasium No. 21 in Minsk
3. Jermalionak Vitold, a teacher of School No. 3 in Miory (Viciebsk district)
4. Zgrundo Iryna, a teacher of School No. 9 in Zhodzina (Minsk district)

5. Illinich Natalla, a teacher of the School of Talka village (Pukhavichy region, Minsk district)
6. Liawkievich Natalla, a teacher of the School of Dvarec village (Dziatlava region, Hrodna district)
7. Makhrankova Larysa, a teacher of the School of Ikany village (Barysaw region, Minsk district)
8. Mukha Barys, a teacher of School No. 1 in Marjina Horka (Pukhavichy region, Minsk district)
9. Nikicienkaw Siarhiej, a teacher of Gymnasium No. 6 in Maladechna (Minsk district)
10. Surmiankow Uladzimir, a lecturer of Minsk College of Mechanical Engineering
11. Osipava Taciana, a teacher of School No. 13 in Minsk

Therefore, it must be noted especially successful cooperation of Taciana Osipava with the “Close History” Program. Her pupils become prize-winners regularly. Apart of them, this year 3 participants presented made under her tutorage works, which also are worthy to be awarded:

1. “The essay of heroism” by Darja Mirukova;
2. “The sailor from the cruiser ‘Aurora’” by Anastasja Minhaliova;
3. “The Maid of Frau Janina Siuruk” by Kaciaryna Paryzhaskaja.

However, these works do not meet the main competition requirements, because their authors are pupils of the 6<sup>th</sup> form. Also, for the Jury’s opinion, these works are influenced by the tutor and parents to a considerable degree. Anyway, the Jury has taken a decision to encourage pupils to take part in next competitions. All these participants were invited to the Award Ceremony, where they have received papers of gratitude as well mementos (books and CDs).

Uladzimir Arlow

Ihar Kuzniatsou

Vital Skalaban

Aleh Trusaw

Zakhar Shybieka.