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Wilmington, DE – The Delaware Historical Society has sponsored the National History Day Contest in Delaware for 20 years, and is proud to announce that a student-produced documentary, *W.E.B Du Bois: Unlocking the Doors of Opportunity Through Education*, which won second place in the state contest, has been chosen by the National Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC) in Washington, D.C. for a student Documentary Showcase and will be shown in the Oprah Winfrey Theater at the museum on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

Cab Calloway School of the Arts 11th grade students, Inderpreet Singh, Sam Koval, Rahul Naidoo, and Kunovenu Haimbodi created *W.E.B Du Bois: Unlocking the Doors of Opportunity Through Education*, focusing on this year's theme, *Taking A Stand in History*. The students won second place in the Senior Division Group Documentary and the James M. Baker Award for Best Project in African American History at the National History Day in Delaware competition held on May 13, 2017 at William Penn High School. The NMAAHC received documentary submissions from National History Day participants across the country that encompassed the historical stories reflected in the museum. The Cab Calloway students' submission was one of only 24 chosen.

About National History Day in Delaware

National History Day in Delaware enables students to learn about history in an analytical and creative way. Through the process of research, collaboration and technology, the students communicate the theme or topic their presentation is based on. Often likened to a "science fair" of history education, National History Day in Delaware is a powerful educational tool that assists educators by cultivating an interest in history, developing research skills, building presentation skills, and helping students achieve success among other benefits. The competition in Delaware has been sponsored by the Delaware Historical Society for twenty years.

About the Delaware Historical Society

The Delaware Historical Society owns and operates the Delaware History Museum; the Jane and Littleton Mitchell Center for African American Heritage; a nationally recognized Research Library; Old Town Hall; Willingtown Square, four 18th-century houses surrounding a picturesque urban courtyard located in downtown Wilmington; and the National Landmark Read House & Gardens located in historic New Castle. For more information, call (302) 655-7161, email deinfo@dehistory.org, or visit www.dehistory.org.

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