

WHO CAN YOU NOMINATE?



To recognize excellence in teaching history in Michigan, the Michigan Council for History Education (MCHE) presents the Annette and Jim McConnell History Educator Award – named for MCHE founders – annually to three Michigan history teachers. One award is presented to a secondary teacher, an elementary teacher, and a preservice teacher.

- **Awards:** \$100 cash awards and free memberships in MCHE and NCHE.
- **Presentation:** Awards presented at MCHE annual conference in Nov.
- **Special Session:** Honorees will have the opportunity to present a favorite history lesson at MCHE conference.
- **Application Materials:** Application materials should demonstrate the teacher's commitment to providing quality history education for her/his students.

Application materials must include:

- **Nominating Letter** from a colleague or administrator. Letters should address the candidate's ability to initiate projects that engage students in authentic history learning and practice, whose teaching is innovative and creative, and effectively uses Michigan's history standards, benchmarks and history themes.
- **History Lesson Plan** consisting of a student-centered lesson, connected to the Michigan Standards & Benchmarks, and history themes. The lesson plan must: be original, connect to standards, use history themes & examples, engage students in active learning, include an assessment. Please include a paper version of the lesson and have an electronic version of lesson available upon request (RTF).
- **Resume or Vita**, with cover letter with name, address, phone & email.

For additional information, please visit www.michiganhistoryed.org

Applications must be postmarked by May 15, 2011, & sent to:

McConnell History Award
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