



Women Veterans United
Committee, Inc.

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Joint Veterans Committee of Maryland

NABVETS, Buffalo Soldiers

Coloring Contest
(grades Pre-K, K, & 1)

Poster Contest
(Grades 2, 3, 4, 5)

Essay Contest
(grades 6, 7, 8)

**2019 MICHAEL
"MADDOG" SATER
FLAME OF HOPE
CONTEST**

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Women Veterans
2019 Flame of Hope Contest
November 21, 2019

Women Veterans United Committee, Inc. (WVUCI) is proud to introduce our 2019 Michael “Maddog” Sater Flame of Hope Contest to honor the service and sacrifice of female veterans who have served faithfully in our military service. The Contest is opened to Pre-K – 8th graders.

**What is the Michael “Maddog” Sater
Flame of Hope Award?**

The Flame of Hope Award is named in honor of Michael “Maddog” Sater. He served in the US Army in Vietnam where he received the Purple Heart. He was passionate about helping Veterans receive their benefits and served many Veterans in the State of Maryland and surrounding states. He stood for the advancement of Women Veterans in Veteran Service Organizations and in his last years was a member of the DAV Department of Maryland Women Veterans Committee and a founding member of Women Veterans United Committee, Inc. In honor of his memory the Flame of Hope Award is given for positive contributions to the advancement of Women Veterans. We are reaching out to our youth to understand and recognize the importance of Women Veterans positive contributions to the military.

Prizes

Coloring Contest

First Prize \$50.00 and a Flag Flown over the Capitol
with a Certificate

Second Prize \$25.00

Third Prize: \$10.00

4 Honorable Mention

Poster Contest

First Prize \$200.00 and a Flag Flown over the Capitol
with a Certificate

Second Prize: \$75.00

Third Prize: \$50.00

4 Honorable Mention

Essay Contest

First Prize: \$300.00 and a Flag Flown over the
Capitol with a Certificate

Second Prize: \$100.00

Third Prize: \$75.00

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*All entries are to be submitted by Friday, December 20, 2019
Entries will not be returned.
Judging will be held January 10, 2020*

Coloring Contest Rules Entry Form

Please print legibly or type.

Applications with colored picture should be mailed to Dr. JoAnn Fisher, CEO, Women Veterans United Committee, Inc., 646 Maury Avenue, Oxon Hill, MD 20745

Student Information below:

Name: _____ Birth Date / / _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Student/Parent Email: _____

Telephone #: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Name of School _____

School Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone #: () - _____

Teacher's Name _____

Coloring Contest Rules

Template at end of packet

Who can participate?

All students in Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and 1st, grade, grade who attend public, private, parochial schools, Sunday schools, are home schooled, or members of any youth organization, are eligible to enter.

Theme: Color Buffalo Soldier Cathay Williams' Picture

Contest rules:

- The attached picture may be colored using markers or crayons.
- Questions must be answered.
- Entries must use the template provided or copies of the template, including both sides

Criteria for judging of Coloring

*Use of template provided *Neatness *Answers to questions



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Poster Contest Rules Entry Form

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Student information below:

Name: _____ Birth Date / / _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Student/Parent Email: _____

Telephone #: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Name of School _____

School Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone #: () - _____

Teacher's Name _____

Poster Contest Rules

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE? All students in the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades who attend public, private, parochial schools, Sunday schools, are home schooled, or members of any youth organization, are eligible to enter.

THEME: Women Serving in the Military

CONTEST RULES

- All students must address the theme
- All entries must be free-handed drawings, using pens, pencils, crayons, paint or any combination of these materials. A straight edge may be used as an aid to draw a straight line.
- Gluing pictures or other materials to the surface of the drawing is not permitted.
- The student's description of the poster must be written on the back of the poster in 5 words or less. Descriptions that are firmly attached to the back of the poster will also be accepted
- Entries must be 9" x 12" using construction paper or poster board.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING OF THE POSTERS

*Artistic Ability *Adherence to Theme *Neatness



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Essay Contest Rules Entry Form

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Applications with Essay should be mailed to Dr. JoAnn Fisher, CEO, Women Veterans United Committee, Inc., 646 Maury Avenue, Oxon Hill, MD 20745

Student Information below:

Name: _____ Birth Date / / _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Student/Parent Email: _____

Telephone #: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Name of School _____

School Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone #: () - _____

Teacher's Name _____

Essay Contest Rules

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE? All students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades who attend public, private, parochial schools, Sunday schools, are home schooled, or members of any youth organization, are eligible to enter

THEME: How does a Woman serving in the military affect the family?

HOW AM I JUDGED?

- You will be judged on how well you understand, develop and present the theme. A positive approach is recommended to express your viewpoint. Knowledge of the theme is worth 30 points: You must show a thorough knowledge of the theme in your work. Demonstrate you have researched the issue extensively.

- Theme development is worth 35 points: Answer all relevant facts about the theme such as the who, what, where, when and why. Relate the theme to your own experiences.
- Clarity of ideas is worth 35 points: Write your essay in an easy-to-understand format. Leave your reader with a clear understanding of your explanation of the theme.

WHAT ARE THE RULES?

- Essay length: 300-400 typewritten words. (+ or - 5 words max).
- You must write your own essay.
- All essays should be typed in English with no color or graphics and cannot be less than 300 words or greater than 400 words in length. (Essays under or over these word amounts will be eliminated.) Every word is counted regardless of length. The essay title (theme) or added footnotes do not contribute to the word count. At any time during the contest additional participant personal information (i.e. SSN, photo, etc.) could be requested.
- In no way may contestants identify themselves within their essay (including, but not limited to, your name, school, city, state, race or national origin). Do not put your name on your essay. The entry form is your essay's cover sheet. Secure the Official Student Entry Form with a staple or other fastener on top of your essay.
- Contestants are allowed to enter only once each year if otherwise eligible (one Post competition). Contestants found in violation of this rule will face elimination from the competition and will be required to return any and all prize money awarded or received.
- The essay must be a contestant's original work and a product of the contestant's own thinking. The approach to the Flame of Hope's theme should be positive and clearly focused. Poetry is not acceptable. Quotations may be used sparingly if plainly identified wherever used. A contestant's teacher, counselor or parent may check the essay for punctuation, grammar and/or spelling, but the content must remain the contestants. Contestants will be judged based on their essay alone and are not required to present the essay orally. All essays become the property of Women Veterans United Committee, Inc. (WVUCI). WVUCI retains non-exclusive rights to use your essay and likeness in the promotion and execution of the organization's programs and activities.

DEADLINE INFORMATION

- **To qualify, all entries must be submitted to Women Veterans United Committee, Inc. by midnight Friday, December 20, 2019.**
- **Winners will be announced Wednesday, January 15, 2020.**
- **AWARDS CEREMONY DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED PUBLIC IS INVITED.**

Colored picture, poster, and essay are to either mailed to Dr. JoAnn Fisher, CEO, Women Veterans United Committee, Inc. 646 Maury Avenue, Oxon Hill, MD 20745 or emailed to jyf20745@yahoo.com

Cathay Williams (September 1844 – 1893) was an American soldier who enlisted in the United States Army under the pseudonym **William Cathay**. She was the first African-American woman to enlist, and the only documented to serve in the United States Army posing as a man.^[1]



Cathay Williams



Painting of Cathay Williams by William Jennings from the U.S. Army Profiles of Bravery

**Cathay
Williams**