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## **GOVERNOR SEBELIUS PRESENTS AWARDS TO STUDENTS IN TERRITORIAL ART CONTEST**

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KANSAS—Governor Kathleen Sebelius honored \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, among five Kansas students, grades three through twelve, who received awards in the “Celebrating Territorial Kansas’ 150th Birthday” art contest today. The contest was sponsored by the Kansas Territorial Sesquicentennial Commission, the Kansas State Historical Society, and the Kansas Department of Education. Mr. and Mrs. William L. Oliver, Jr. also provided for assistance with the project.

\_\_\_\_\_ receives \_\_\_\$\_\_\_\_\_ for (his/her) winning entry. (He/She) is in the \_\_\_\_\_ grade at \_\_\_\_\_ School, District \_\_\_\_\_. The theme of the winning entry is \_\_\_\_\_. The medium selected is \_\_\_\_\_.

The contest was designed to increase knowledge about the difficult process by which Kansas eventually became the 34th state of the Union. From artwork submitted by each school district, winners were selected in each of the three categories. Winners receive a cash prize as well as a certificate of achievement signed by the Governor.

Judges for the contest were Chris Prouty, Kansas State Historical Society; Janet Loebel and Kelly Spurgeon, Kansas Department of Education.

The 10-member Kansas Territorial Sesquicentennial Commission is chaired by Judge Deanell Reece Tacha, other members are Constance M. Achterberg, Jack E. Dalton, Larry M. Hatteberg, Mike Hayden, Yolanda Lopez, G. Hal Ross, William L. Muir III, Karen Seaberg, and Karen Swisher. A 28-member advisory committee assists the commission with its projects and activities.

For further information about the Kansas Territorial Sesquicentennial Commission, contact the Kansas State Historical Society at 6425 SW Sixth Avenue, Topeka, KS 66615; 785-272-8681; TTY 785-272-8683; [www.kshs.org/sesquicentennial](http://www.kshs.org/sesquicentennial).

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