

Mahogany Ensemble Theatre presents



1st Annual **Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.** Oratory Competition 2012

THEME: FULFILLING THE DREAM

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS GRADES 3RD-12TH

Primary Division: 3rd-5th Grades Junior Division: 6th-8th Grades Senior Division 9th-12th Grades

TO ENTER:

1. **COMPLETE** and return entry form and speech no later than Mon. January 30th
2. **DOWNLOAD** an entry form at www.mahoganyensembletheatre.org
OR **PICK-UP** an entry form at your local **Shreve Memorial Library Branch**
3. **SUBMIT** a speech in one of the following divisions:
 - Primary- Choose a **2-3 minute excerpt** of one of Dr. King's speeches to recite.
 - Junior-Write a **3-4 minute original speech** to recite on a topic below
 - Senior-Write a **4-5 minute original speech** to recite on a topic below

SPEECH TOPICS

What Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's life means to me?

Share the meaning and importance of this year's theme: "Fulfilling the Dream" and what it means to you in relation to Dr. King's 'I Have A Dream' speech.

Relate one's own commitment to Dr. King's philosophy of non-violence, peaceful acceptance, and respect.

Share the legacy of a local Civil Rights Leader and how his/her life's work was influenced or impacted by the work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (ie. Dr. E. Edward Jones, Dr. C.O. Simpkins, Rev. Harry Blake, Mamie Love Wallace, etc)

What will you be able to achieve in your life because of what Dr. King achieved in his life? (may include major life events: March from Selma to Montgomery, Letter from Birmingham Jail, March on Washington, Nobel Peace Prize)

4. **ATTEND** MLK Youth Leadership Workshops on February 11th AND 17th
5. **DELIVER** speech on-stage at the 1st Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Oratory Competition on Sat. February 18th, Shreveport, LA

AWARDS:

EACH Division Will Present 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place Awards

1st Place Winners Will Present Speech At Public Event

ALL Participants Will Receive On-Stage Recognition

Additional On-Stage Awards & Presentations

FOR MORE INFORMATION: CALL 318-382-2841

OR VISIT www.mahoganyensembletheatre.org

Honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the rich Civil Rights heritage in Northwest Louisiana through the art of oratorical presentation.