

Welcome to the 2021 G4C Student Challenge Virtual Awards Ceremony!

June 17 @ 5:00 - 6:30 PM EST | YouTube Live

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The G4C Student Challenge is a national game design program and competition that invites middle and high school students to create digital games about real world issues.



Visit the G4C Student Arcade to play all of the finalist games!

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G4C Student Challenge Themes

During the 2020-2021 program, students learned how to design impact games through in-school game-making courses, weekend game jams, mentorship opportunities w/ professional game designers - and ultimately, submitted original games that address three important topics for teens today.

Here are the 2021 G4C Student Challenge Themes:



Advocating For Animals

Games about animals, humans, our shared environment, and responsible animal advocacy.





Build A Better World

Games that celebrate diversity and inclusion and uplift marginalized voices.





Resilience Through Games

Games about mental wellbeing and connectedness in the time of COVID-19.





NEW AWARD CATEGORIES

There will be two winners per Theme in each Challenge City and on the national level. Additionally, G4C is happy to present 3 new award categories this year

Game Accessibility Challenge





NUMINOUS GAMES

Games that include accessibility features to support players with different types of disabilities. This award is presented in partnership with Numinous Games and the Playability Initiative.

Fair Game Writing Challenge

NEW YORK VIDEOGAME CRITICS CIRCLE

Students were challenged to create a written game concept and write a video game review for this new, competitive writing schotarship. This award is presented in partnership with the New York Videogame Critics Circle.

Made With Unity

Made with



Game submissions created in the Unity platform are eligible to receive this additional recognition. This award is presented in partnership with Unity.

2021 FINALISTS: NEW YORK CITY

ADVOCATING FOR ANIMALS

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

The Magical Rock (A Story Game) //
Alexandre P, Samuel S //
The 30th Avenue School (Q300)

Admirers of Life // Judah B, Ella C, Daniel K, Papa D // Stephen A Halsey JHS 157 Q

Ocean Diver // Lila B, Joyeeta B, Umaima K // George J. Ryan Middle School 216

The Forest Fire // Maxine M // PS 102Q

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Endangered Run // Angela M, Yunxi, W., Fredrik, L. // The Bronx High School of Science

Extinction - Save the Sharks // Nell T, Kayla H, Matthew F // The Bronx High School of Science

Bird Savior // Omer A //
International High School at Lafayette

The Act of Saving // Mary W // Urban Assembly Maker Academy

BUILD A BETTER WORLD

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

A Run for Diversity //
Rafiha R, Ethan L, Anisha D, Andrea K //
George J. Ryan Middle School 216

Diversity in the Workplace: Vet Edition// Stella W, Penelope G // The 30th Avenue
School (Q300)

Freedom // Lily S, Sacha W // The Computer School

DEJA VU // JaZani F, Alexander M, Michael C, K.W. // Parkside Preparatory Academy

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Ability // Donavin M, Christain C // School of Interactive Arts

Town Hall Rush // Stephen M // School of Interactive Arts

EcoCraft // Anindita D, Parker B, Finley H, Katherine Y // The Bronx High School of Science

RESILIENCE THROUGH GAMES

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Getting Through Depression // Farhan J, Erik H, Shaun T // George J. Ryan Middle School 216

Mental Health Battle // Robyn S, Projukta R, Tafsin T // George J. Ryan Middle School 216

The Beginning // Mashal A, Sophie T // PS 102Q

You've Got Mail // Stephanie W //
The 30th Avenue School

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

COVID Spring Break // Hannah N, Suraiya S., Camille P. // The Bronx High School of Science

Dyslexia Unscrambler // Ricardo E, Zhen S, Adrian P // The Bronx High School of Science

With a Little Help From Friends //
Priscilla X, Chloe C, Justin T //
The Bronx High School of Science

Somnolent Hour // Richard N, Debi S, Mg I, Mady M // School of Interactive Arts

2021 FINALISTS: LOS ANGELES

ADVOCATING FOR ANIMALS

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Advocating For Animals // Angela C // Florence Nightingale Middle School

Savanna Safari // Jacob Y // Burbank Middle School

Helping Animals // Azellia M // Burbank Middle School

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Animals of Impossibility // Jeremy 0 // Taft Charter High School

Find a Way // Katterin G, Jackie P, Ana C, Keren R // Helen Bernstein High School

The Mystical Zoological Garden //
Artur S // STEM Academy of Hollywood

Save the Bees // Jazmine C // STEM Academy of Hollywood

BUILD A BETTER WORLD

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Jonah's minecraft world // Jonah M // Emerson Community Charter School

Sky Sumo // Esmeralda V, Ava B, Frederick M // Citizens of The World Mar Vista

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

diversity and understanding of a simple life // Prabhjot B // Chatsworth Charter High School

The Village in the Hills // Matan B // Chatsworth Charter High School

RESILIENCE THROUGH GAMES

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Black Galaxy 2 // Jude D // Florence Nightingale Middle School

Resilience During COVID-19 // John N // Fleming Middle School

Work to protect the Earth // Tyler C // Florence Nightingale Middle School

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

D-compress // Maxine H //
Girls Academic Leadership Academy

Equinox // Andrew M, Dhruv K, Srishta H, Samuel B // Taft Charter High School

Resilient // Akash S // Chino Hills High School

Monkey Banana Quest // Vincent B // Chatsworth Charter High School

My quarantine pal // Siga S, Ava V, Sigrid E // Girls Academic Leadership Academy

2021 FINALISTS: ATLANTA

ADVOCATING FOR ANIMALS

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Save the Fish // Sydney M // Barber Middle School

Rescue // Bella M // Barber Middle School

Taking Care // Bella A // Barber Middle School

John the butterfly's adventure // Victor T // Barber Middle School

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Brink of Extinction // Kendyl D // Forsyth Virtual Academy

Caring for the City/Town // Taeho P // Mill Creek High School

Eggciting Adventure! // Lilly M // Chattahoochee High School

Will of the World // Aditi C, Nitya Y // Forsyth Virtual Academy

BUILD A BETTER WORLD

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Cultures Around the World // Joanna M // Barber Middle School

Diversity scenes // Trevor B // Barber Middle School

Mr. Robinson's Factory // Zak W //
Barber Middle School

The Wonders Of A Judge! // Trevor N,
Darwin K // Barber Middle School

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Gearville Council // Koen V // Peachtree City High School

Helping Hands Shelter // Terry B, River D, Jonathan H, Thomas R // Cass High School

Maze Challenge // John T // Kennesaw Mountain High School

Save the Village! // Jose L // Cass High School

RESILIENCE THROUGH GAMES

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Direct the Minute // Christopher R // Barber Middle School

Staying Safe // Natalia 0 // Barber Middle School

Stop Right There! // Nadia G //
Barber Middle School

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

It's Okay to Not be Okay // Chloe R, Dillon R // Cass High School

Learning About Mental Anxiety // Ronan T // South Forsyth High School

Reconstruction // Maki B // Cass High School

Serotonin // Shreya S // Forsyth Virtual Academy

2021 FINALISTS: DETROIT

ADVOCATING FOR ANIMALS

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Chad the Vegan // Dylan D, Michael L // Livonia Career Technical Center

Endangered Animals // Shaqir G // Livonia Career Technical Center

HabitatHero2D // Jose E // Detroit School of Arts

BUILD A BETTER WORLD

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Dawn Of Peace // Mekhi K, Deja W, Bryant P // Detroit School Of Arts

Life of the Changer. // Mark K // Utica Center for Science and Industry

Welcome to the City: Cultural Exploration //

Daniel K, Eric B, Elijah B, Ethan H // Utica Center for Science and Industry

RESILIENCE THROUGH GAMES

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Mental health (from a kids perspective) //

Naomi H // Information Technology High School

Escapism // Kiara W // Utica Center for Science and Industry

Online School Simulator //

Matthew J, Zachary S, Maia S, Stephen C // Utica Center for Science and Industry

Pierre's Pandemic Perseverance //

Fric M // Livonia Career Technical Center

Seize the Day, Slay the Dragon //

Sarah A // Livonia Career Technical Center

Solitude // Jazmin R //

Livonia Career Technical Center

2021 FINALISTS: NATIONAL

ADVOCATING FOR ANIMALS

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Animal Survival // Contessa G // NSU University School

Animal-Rescue // Abdulhakam H // Wilson Middle School

National Struggle // Adam B //
Acera School

Those Above Us // Diego H, Vy N // Wilson Middle School

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Creature Crusade // Leilah W //
The Summit School

Gotta Save 'Em All // Allyson M, Anthony M // Liberty High School

Save the Bees! // Sophie W, Mimi I //
The Madeira School

Silent Spring // Abhinav R // High Technology High School

BUILD A BETTER WORLD

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Building a Better World Through Diversity // Xander D // Altona Middle School

Friendship Builders // Evan V // Thomas G. Pullen School of Performing Arts

New Stop the Boss, and Save the People. // Benjamin L // South Shore K-8

Spreading awareness in physical health // Paige S, Kelly B // Altona Middle School

The Hegemony // Lily Z, Tiannie Z // Peak to Peak Charter School

RESILIENCE THROUGH GAMES

MIDDLE SCHOOL FINALISTS

Chemo Quest (DEMO) //

FrostBitGames: Ethan M, Caden S, Sam F // Lamar Middle School

Grace's Gymnastics Adventure //
Emma C // Highland Middle School

Happy Family // Prince N //

Happy Land :) // Cate E //
Central Middle School

Lawler Middle School

Resilience through self-care //
Jia M // Saint Ann's School

HIGH SCHOOL FINALISTS

Play When Sad // Bruno NR // Quad Preparatory School

Growth // Neha V // Dougherty Valley High School

Jeremy and Penelope // Lorelei B // Austin High School

The Sun, the Sky, and I //
Giancarlo M // Seven Lakes High School

Your Box // Zuriel J // West Campus High School

NEW AWARD CATEGORIES

MADE WITH UNITY

New York City

You've Got Mail // Stephanie W // The 30th Avenue School

Somnolent Hour // Richard N, Debi S, Mg I, Mady M // School of Interactive Arts

Dream Catcher // Julian R, Katelyn P, Joy Z, Mabel M // School of Interactive Arts

Los Angeles

Animals of Impossibility // Jeremy 0 // Taft Charter High School

Mindrifters // Dao L // San Marino High School

<u>Atlanta</u>

Octopus Traveler // Jason J, Bryan C, Alex V // Paul Duke STEM High School

Caring for the City/Town // Taeho P // Mill Creek High School

Save the Animals!!! // Jordan D, Jordan G, Eric Y, Elijah D // Paul Duke STEM High School Detroit

HabitatHero2D // Jose E // Detroit School of Arts

Helping Ranger // Remi M // Livonia Career Technical Center

Escapism // Kiara W // Utica Center For Science and Industry

National

Your Box // Zuriel J // West Campus High School

Growth // Neha V // Dougherty Valley High School

The Sun, the Sky, and I $\//\/\/$ Giancarlo M $\//\/$ Seven Lakes High School

Play When Sad // Bruno NR // Quad Preparatory School

The Alyx // Kendall C, Sydney S, Iley T, John S // Blackhawk High School

GAME ACCESSIBILITY CHALLENGE

New York City

The Act of Saving // Mary W // Urban Assembly Maker Academy

Save the Sea Animals // Naomi K, Joshua T // Stephen A Halsey JHS 157 Q

 $\textbf{ME Time!} \ \ /\!\!/ \ \ \textit{Kai H /\!\!/} \ \ \textit{The Computer School}$

Rebounding Resilience // Christopher S // Herbert H. Lehman High School

Home for the Homeless // OwenSamuel K // Quest to Learn

Los Angeles

Work to protect the Earth // Tyler C // Florence Nightingale Middle School

Lets Build a Better World! // Stephanie R // Florence Nightingale Middle School

Dragon Cats // Pandora L // North Hollywood High School

Animals in captivity // Karen R, Sage M, Kiyomi B // Girls Academic Leadership Academy

Atlanta

the tame of a horse // Cayden R // Cass High School

The Game // Mason J // Cass High School Detroit

Animal Time // Andrew T // Livonia Career Technical Center

<u>National</u>

Growth // Neha V // Dougherty Valley High School

Gotta Save 'Em All // Allyson M, Anthony M // Liberty High School

Resilience through self-care // Jia M // Saint Ann's School

The Alyx // Kendall C, Sydney S, Iley T, John S // Blackhawk High School

Happy Family // Prince N //
Lawler Middle School

FAIR GAME WRITING CHALLENGE

 $\underline{\text{New York City}} \quad \textbf{iCats} \; \textit{// Mary W // The Urban Assembly Maker Academy}$

Los Angeles I'm in the TV // Delia M // Girls Academic Leadership Academy

Atlanta Out of My Mind // Noah B // Paul Duke STEM High School

Detroit Terror of the Loch Ness // Cassidy M // Paul K. Cousino High School

National Future Seekers // Sam S // Upper Dublin High School

THANK YOU!



Congratulations to all of the finalists and winners of the 2021 G4C Student challenge.

And Thank You to all of the devoted educators who supported students' learning throughout the year.

We hope you'll keep making (and playing) games this summer. See you next year!

-The G4C Team

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