

STUDENT EDITION

JUANITA CRAFT A Texas-Sized Civil Rights Icon

Materials to Bring

- ★ Pencil or pen, notebook/paper

Recap

You will be considering the following Essential Questions:

- ★ How did the contributions of Juanita Craft shape the culture in Dallas?
- ★ How did she influence the overall fight for civil rights in America?
- ★ What responsibility do we have in working toward equality in today's society?
- ★ How do our experiences shape who we are and what we are passionate about?

Keep the questions in mind during your field trip to the State Fair of Texas. Along the way, jot down notes or sketches that may help you develop answers when you return to class. The questions will be the basis of your final project.

Plan Your Route

Before you go to the State Fair of Texas, learn about the Juanita Craft Civil Rights House in Dallas's Wheatley Place Historic District. The house was Juanita Craft's home for 50 years. Visit the National Park Service [website](#) where you will find information about Craft's life and her many contributions to the Dallas region. If possible, plan a visit to Craft's house.

After completing your research, answer the following questions in your notebook in preparation for a class discussion.

- ★ What is one fact about Craft or her home that you found interesting?
- ★ How did Craft promote civil rights?
- ★ Name three things Craft did for South Dallas.

While You're There

Check out this [link](#) to see when the annual



Juanita Craft Humanitarian Awards Ceremony will be during this year's State Fair of Texas.

If you can visit during the ceremony, answer the following questions in your notebook after your visit to bring back to class for discussion.

- ★ Who did this year's ceremony honor?
- ★ What was discussed during the ceremony?
- ★ How did that person reflect Juanita Craft's legacy?

Fair Park, home of the State Fair of Texas, has an onsite African American Museum that houses exhibits of significant individuals and their contributions to society. While you are at the Fair, visit the African American Museum. Use this [link](#) to learn more about the museum and its current exhibits.

While at the African American Museum, write in your notebook a paragraph based on the following prompt.

- ★ How does what you observed in the Museum's exhibits relate to Juanita Craft's activism?

Back at School

Following your State Fair visit you will share your reflections on Mrs. Craft's activism.

