Kentucky History Awards

2022

Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence
Museums of Historic Hopkinsville – Christian County

Award of Distinction
Michael J. Denis

Dr. James C. Klotter Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award
David L. Morgan

Brigadier General William R. Buster Award
Bill Neikirk

Volunteer Organization or Group Award
Green River Museum

Community Impact Award
Huntertown Park

Kentucky Public History Intern Award
Emma Johansen

General Awards - Education
Class A: Organizations with operating budgets of less than $10,000 per year
Programming (public or school)
Atomic City Tours -- Forgotten Spirits: Paducah’s Contributions to Bourbon

Class B: Organizations with operating budgets of $10,001 to $50,000 per year
Programming (public or school)
Shelby County Historical Society -- The Bluegrass Experience 1945-1972

Class D: Organizations with operating budgets of more than $100,001 per year
Programming (public or school)
Louisville Coalition on the History of Enslavement (Riverside, the Farnsley-Moremen Landing; Historic Locust Grove; Farmington Historic Plantation)

Multimedia (audio visual/oral history)
Furniture Friday Video Series (South Union Shaker Village)

Special Projects
The Journey: Unsung Stories of the Underground Railroad (The Frazier History Museum)
Exhibits
Local Economies, Global Impact (Shaker Village)

**General Awards – Publications**

**Class A: University Press**
*The Fall of Kentucky’s Rock: Western Kentucky Democratic Politics Since the New Deal*

**Class B: Local/Private Press**
*Waveland’s Treasures*

**Pamphlets & Other Printed Material**
*The Shelby: Stories of Shelby County’s Good Land, Good People, Good Living*

**Class C: Website**
Tour the Historic Bluegrass (Bluegrass Trust for Historic Preservation)

**Other**

**2021 Gilder Lehrman Kentucky Teacher of the Year**
Justin Mitchell, Franklin-Simpson Middle School

**2020 Richard H. Collins Award**
“Old Kentucky Homo”: *Lige Clarke’s Gay Liberation* by Dr. Jonathan Coleman
Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence
*Traces, Enslaved at Ashland*

Award of Distinction
Tim Tomes, Louisville

Dr. James C. Klotter Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award
Sandy Staebell, WKU Archives

Volunteer Organization or Group Award
Lincoln County Historical Society

Community Impact Award
Clay County Historical Society

Frank R. Levstick Award for Professional Service
Tommy Hines, South Union Shaker Village

General Awards - Education
Special Project
Murder, Memory and Martyrdom: The Assassination of Governor William Goebel - Jonathan L. Earle, Center College, Danville/Boyle County

Programming
“Journey to the Vote,“ Western Kentucky University & Community Partners, Bowling Green/Warren County

Multimedia
“Compelling History of an American Other” Podcast, Rebekah Brummett, South Union Shaker Village, Auburn/Logan County

General Awards – Publications
Private Press Award
*Into the Bluegrass: Art and Artistry of Kentucky’s Historic Icons* by Mel Hankla

Pamphlet
*Journal of the Jackson Purchase Historical Society*
University Press
*Katherine Jackson French: Kentucky’s Forgotten Ballad Collector* by Elizabeth DiSavino

**Other**

**2020 Gilder Lerhman Kentucky Teacher of the Year**
Jami McCoy Allen, Eastern High School, Louisville

**2019 Richard H. Collins Award**
“Keeping a Disorderly House in Civil War Kentucky.” Dr. Crystal N. Feimster, Yale University
Kentucky History Awards

2019

Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence
Conrad-Caldwell House

Award of Distinction
Evelyn Richardson, Logan County

Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award
Dr. James C. Klotter

Volunteer Organization or Group Award
Jackson Purchase Historical Society

Kentucky Public History Intern Award
Megan Couch

Community Impact Award
Louisville Story Program

Frank R. Levstick Award for Professional Service
Tressa Brown, Kentucky Heritage Council

General Awards – Education

Exhibit
Riverside, the Farnsley-Moreman Landing, Outdoor Signage
South Union Shaker Village, Dictates of Conscience & Feelings of Humanity: People of Color at South Union 1807-1860

Website
Sarah Hubbard, Lexington Public Library, The Kentucky Room Digital Archives

Special Program
Erin West, Lexington Public Library, Audio Walking Tours of Downtown Lexington, Kentucky

General Awards – Publications
Richard Taylor, Elkhorn: Evolution of a Kentucky Landscape
Nancy O’Malley, Boonesborough Unearthed: Frontier Archeology at a Revolutionary Fort
Patti Linn, Riverside: The Unfolding Story
John David Myles, Walter H. Kiser’s Neighborhood Sketches Revisited
2019 Gilder Lehman Kentucky Teacher of the Year
Doug Logan, Randall K. Cooper High School, Union, KY

2018 Richard H. Collins Award
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<td>Jeff Crooper/Logan County Genealogical Society, “The Future of Indexing”</td>
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<td>Brown Fellows Program, Kentucky Connections Handbook, James Graham Brown Foundation and Dr. John Kleber</td>
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University Press
David J. Bettez, *Kentucky and the Great War: World War I on the Home Front*
Shawn D. Chapman, “Removing Recalcitrant County Clerks in Kentucky,” *Kentucky Law Journal*

Local/Private Press
Ronald Wolford Blair, *Wild Wolf: The Great Civil War Rivalry*
John David Miles, *Historic Architecture of Shelby County, Ky, 1792–1915*

Pamphlet/Newsletter
*Journal of the Jackson Purchase Historical Society, 43rd Annual Hopkins County yearbook*
### 2016 Kentucky History Awards

#### Award of Distinction
- Michael Ann Williams, Bowling Green

#### Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award
- William T. Turner, Hopkinsville

#### General Awards - Education
- J.C. Barnett Library and Archives, Oldham County Historical Society
- Oral History Project, Lincoln County Historical Society
- Paris City Schools, Hopewell Museum
- Covington at 200: Points of View, Steve Oldfield and Sean Thomas
- Frontier Day, Jack Jouett House Historic Site
- Buffalos and Bourbon: 200 Years of Covington History, Behringer-Crawford Museum

#### General Awards – Publications
- *Northern Kentucky Heritage*
- *Frontiersmen in the War of 1812* by Glen Conner
- *Farming in the Black Patch* by Bobbie Smith Bryant
- *Justus S. Stearns: Michigan Pine King and Kentucky Coal Baron* by Michael W. Nagle
- *Home Rule: Households, Manhood, and National Expansion on the Eighteenth-Century Kentucky Frontier* by Honor Sachs

#### Other

**2016 Gilder Lernerman Kentucky Teacher of the Year**
- Emmanuel Stone, West Middle School, Shelbyville

**2015 Richard H. Collins Award**
# Kentucky History Awards 2015

## Governor’s Award
*Race Horse Men: How Slavery and Freedom Were Made at the Racetrack* by Dr. Katherine Mooney, Associate Professor of History – Florida State University

## Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence
Boone County Local History Department at the Boone County Public Library

## Award of Distinction
Betty Jane Gorin-Smith

## Brigadier General William R. Buster Award
Bill Neikirk

## Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award
Al Smith

## Frank R. Levstick Award for Professional Service
Dr. Nelson L. Dawson

### General Awards – Education
- Mound Builders Program, River Discovery Center
- Jack Jouett Archaeology Project, Jack Jouett House Historic Site
- Honoring Our World War II Veterans, Oldham County History Center
- WaterWorks Museum, Louisville Water Company
- Dreamers and Doers: VOICES of Kentucky Women, Kentucky Commission on Women
- History Camp 2014: Kentucky in the 1812 Era, Shelby County Historical Society
- Whitney M. Young Jr. Birthplace Interpretive Center

### General Awards – Publications
- Architectural Walking Tour: Downtown Paris, Kentucky, Hopewell Museum/Historic Paris-Bourbon County
- Kentucky Creative Industry Report, Kentucky Arts Council
- Daniel Boone’s Trail – Online, Randell Jones
- Jack Jouett – Portrait of An American Hero, Woodford County Heritage Committee
- Gateway City: Covington Kentucky 1815-2015, Covington 200 Project

### Other
- *Preserve America 2015 Kentucky Teacher of the Year*
  - Geco Ross, McNabb Elementary (Paducah Independent)
2014 Richard H. Collins Award
Dr. J. Michael Rhyne, Associate Professor of History - Urbana University
**Kentucky History Awards**

**2014**

**Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence**
Fredonia Valley Heritage Society

**Award of Distinction**
Gary L. Johnston

**Brigadier General William R. Buster Award**
Joseph E. Brent

**Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award**
James H. Miller

**General Awards - Education**
Logan Links, Logan County Genealogical Society
Kentucky Dam: Power for the People, Todd Hatton and Chad Lampe
Remember the Raisin! Kentucky and the War of 1812, Kentucky National Guard
JFK Memory Project, Manuscripts and Folklife Archives (WKU)
Kentucky Made: Decorative Arts from Liberty Hall, Liberty Hall Historic Site
Vietnam: Our Story, Behringer-Crawford Museum
Madeline Pollard eBook: The Real Madeline Pollard, Kentucky Room – Lexington Public Library
2013 Museum Annual Programming, Aviation Museum of Kentucky

**General Awards – Publications**
*A Kentucky Court: History of Boone County Courts*, Anthony W Frohlich
*In Pursuit of Art: The Talent of John F. Rice*, Fredonia Valley Heritage Society
*Collecting Kentucky 1790-1860*, Genevieve Baird Lacer and Libby Turner Howard
*Bloody Breathitt: Politics and Violence in the Appalachian South*, T.R.C. Hutton
You Don’t Ever Want to Forget Second Street, The Heart of Danville
Kenton County Historical Society Website
Central Kentucky Cemeteries Maps, Kentucky Room at the Lexington Public Library

**Other**
*Preserve America 2014 Kentucky Teacher of the Year*
Sharon Graves, Clark-Moores Middle School (Madison County Schools)

**2013 Richard H. Collins Award**
Jacob Lee, Indiana University
# Kentucky History Awards 2013

## Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence
Bluegrass Heritage Museum

## Award of Distinction
Charles House

## Brigadier General William R. Buster Award
Major General Verna Fairchild, Ret.

## Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award
Carolyn Murray Wooley

## Volunteer Organization or Group Award
Fredonia Valley Heritage Society

## Frank R. Levstick Award for Professional Service
Dr. John E. Kleber

## General Awards - Education
Northern Kentucky Regional History Day  
Farming in the Black Patch - Smith Farms  
Civil War Days - Bluegrass Heritage Museum  
Anne Braden: Southern Patriot - Appalshop Inc  
My Brother, My Enemy – Frazier History Museum

## General Awards – Publications
*Archives for the Lay Person: A Guide to Managing Cultural Collections* – Lois Hamill  
*Journal of the Jackson Purchase Historical Society*  
*War of 1812 Bicentennial Publications* – Fredonia Valley Heritage Society  
*Beverly Hills Supper Club* – Robert D. Webster  
*75 Years of Service* – Inter-County Energy Cooperative  
*The Kentucky Derby* – James C. Nicholson  
Chronicles of Boone County QR Code Project – Kaitlin Barber

## Other
*Preserve America 2013 Kentucky Teacher of the Year*
Christina Cornelius, James E. Farmer Elementary School (Jefferson County Schools)
2012 Richard H. Collins Award
Dr. Aaron Astor
### Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence
Bluegrass Heritage Museum

### Award of Distinction
Mary Alice Springer

### Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award
Alberta Moynahan

### Brigadier General William R. Buster Award
Thomas W. Fugate

### Volunteer Organization or Group Award
A Kentucky Renaissance Pharmacy Museum & Fountain, Inc.

### Frank R. Levstick Award for Professional Service
Dr. James A. Ramage

### General Awards - Education

#### Class A Award of Merit
Pewee Valley Oral History Program – Pewee Valley Historical Society

#### Class B Award of Merit
Restored Spring Garden Cemetery – City of Henderson

#### Class C Award of Merit
Horse Cave Stories: Cell Phone Tour and Website – Horse Cave Cultural District

#### Class D Award of Merit
Cornets and Cannons – Capital City Museum

### General Awards – Publications

#### Class A Award of Merit
*Trailing Daniel Boone: Daughters of the American Revolution Marking Daniel Boone’s Trail, 1912-1915* – Randall Jones

#### Class B Award of Merit
*Star Spangled Hearts: American Women Veterans of World War II* – Jeffrey and Jeanne Suchanek
Class C Award of Merit
Northern Kentucky Heritage – Kenton County Historical Society

Class E Award of Merit
A History of Education in Kentucky – William E. Ellis

Special Recognition
Kentucky Rising: Democracy, Slavery, and Culture from the Early Republic to the Civil War – Dr. James A. Ramage and Dr. Andrea Watkins

Other
Preserve America 2012 Kentucky Teacher of the Year
Ron Adkisson, South Oldham Middle School (Oldham County Schools)

2011 Richard H. Collins Award
Dr. Gerald L. Smith

Anne Walker Fitzgerald Award
Ann Gilchrest
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Class B Award of Merit
Clear As Mud: Early 20th Century Kentucky Art Pottery – Warren and Julie Payne

Class C Award of Merit
Centre College: Scholars, Gentlemen, Christian – William “Beau” Weston

Class D Award of Merit
Lessons in Likeness – Estill Curtis Pennington

Special Recognition
Kentucky Rising: Democracy, Slavery, and Culture from the Early Republic to the Civil War – Dr. James A. Ramage and Dr. Andrea Watkins

Other
Preserve America 2011 Kentucky Teacher of the Year
Donnie Wilkerson, Jamestown Elementary (Russell County Schools)

2010 Richard H. Collins Award
Dr. Robert Weise

Anne Walker Fitzgerald Award
Kandie Adkinson