

Wisconsin Historical Society: Begins accepting nominations for 2022 Board of Curators awards

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Madison, WI. – The Wisconsin Historical Society is now accepting nominations for the 2022 Board of Curators Awards. All nominations must be postmarked or delivered by March 10, 2022.

The annual Board of Curators Awards recognize individuals and organizations across Wisconsin for meritorious work in areas relating to the Society's mission. The awards are one way the Society sparks enthusiasm for history in communities all over the state and celebrates outstanding work that helps connect people to the past. The Wisconsin Historical Society will announce the award winners in June.

Nominations will be accepted in the following categories:

- **Book of Merit Award:** presented to the author of a book on Wisconsin history which, in the opinion of the judges, made the most valuable contribution to public understanding of Wisconsin's past during the preceding calendar year.
- **Genealogy Book Award:** the Wisconsin Historical Society and the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society invite nominations of published genealogies detailing the history of Wisconsin families.
- **Governor's Archives Awards:** honor outstanding work with historical records in Wisconsin. Three categories include archival achievement, archival

innovation, and archival advocacy.

- **Historic Preservation and Restoration Awards:** recognize exemplary projects that have restored or preserved a part of the Wisconsin's historical, architectural, archaeological or cultural heritage.
- **Museum Exhibit Awards:** two awards for historical exhibits on Wisconsin themes are offered each year: one for an exhibition budget \$5,000 or less, and one for an exhibition budget greater than \$5,000.
- **Public Program Award:** presented to a Wisconsin organization that has launched an exceptional history public program during the preceding year.
- **Reuben Gold Thwaites Award for Local History:** presented annually to one affiliated historical organization for continued excellence and overall service to its community over a period of at least five years.

For information about the Board of Curators Awards, including criteria, past recipients and how to apply, visit the Society's website: wisconsinhistory.org/BOCAwards.

About Wisconsin Historical Society

The Wisconsin Historical Society, founded in 1846, ranks as one of the largest, most active and most diversified state historical societies in the nation. As both a state agency and a private membership organization, its mission is to help people connect to the past by collecting, preserving and sharing stories. The Wisconsin Historical Society serves millions of people every year through a wide range of sites, programs and services. For more information, visit www.wisconsinhistory.org.