

2018 Award Recipients

The Wyoming State Historical Society recognizes individuals and organizations in the field of Wyoming history by an annual awards program. The awards are presented each year at the annual meeting of the Society on the Saturday following Labor Day. Nominations are submitted through the local and county chapters of the Society, individuals who are members of the Society may also make nominations, and self-nominations are encouraged.

The Society seeks nominations that reflect outstanding work in preserving and interpreting Wyoming history. Awards are divided into seven main category groups. An Awards Manual can be found online at www.wyshs.org, or by contacting Society headquarters at 307-322-3014 or linda@wyshs.org. Nomination deadlines must be received by April 30th of each year.

Jane Gebhart, chair of the Society's Awards Committee said interest in the history of Wyoming continues to increase each year. "With changing times, we have expanded the Awards program to recognize blogs, Facebook pages, and other electronic forms of celebrating history, in addition to the traditional awards for publications, fine arts, preservation, renovation and youth activities." She added, "The Society's awards program opens many opportunities to recognize the efforts of others in promoting Wyoming's rich legacy." Following are award winners for 2018:

Publications: Non-Fiction Books

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| 1 st Place | Atlantic City, Wyoming 1886-2018: Voices from a Powerful Place, Bob Townsend, Editor. |
| 2 nd Place | Wyoming Airmail Pioneers by Starley Talbot and Michael Kassel, Cheyenne. |
| HM | Snow Chi Minh Trail: The History of I80 between Laramie and Walcott Junction. First Edition by John Waggener, Laramie. |

Publications: Reference

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| 1 st Place | Pleasant Valley Cemetery aka Little Iowa Cemetery 1917-2017 by Lorna Wheeler. Natural Bridge, Virginia. |
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Publications: Self-Published

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| 1 st Place | West to Wyoming: The Extraordinary Life and Legacy of Stephen Wheeler Downey by Kim Viner, Laramie. |
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Publications: Newsletters

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| 1 st Place | The Log (Sheridan County Historical Society) by Molly Dow, Sheridan. |
| HM | Rockpile RoundUp (Rockpile Museum Association), Gillette. |

Publications: Magazine Articles

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| 1 st Place | All American Indian Days and the Miss Indian American Pageant by Greg Nickerson, Laramie. |
| HM | Carrie Burton Overton, Annals of Wyoming, 8/17 by Kim Viner, Laramie |

Publications: Newspapers

1st Place Life in Death: Pleasant Valley Cemetery by Kathy Brown, Gillette.

Publications: Calendars

1st Place 2018 Calendar of Star Valley History by Judy Erickson, Afton.

Publications: Pamphlets

1st Place Hotel LaBonte by Adeline Schultheis, Douglas.

Internet Website

1st Place Albany County Historical Society, website by Cameron Green, Laramie.

Tours

1st Place Annual Cemetery Tour, Douglas Historical Preservation Commission.

Annual Service Award

1st Place Lisa Thalken, Douglas

Activities Award

1st Place Marjorie Sanborn and Hazel Mudget for Preservation of Jay Em, Wyoming

1st Place Bri Brasher and Leonard Cash for History on Main Street, Newcastle.

1st Place Friends of Fort Fetterman for annual 4th of July Celebration, Douglas.

1st Place Ray Jacquot for First Ascent of the Grand Teton, Laramie.

Fine Arts

1st Place Wyoming Sheep Wagon by Shaunda Parrish, Douglas.

Henryetta Berry Award

1st Place Jennifer Romanoski, Buffalo

Mabel Brown Cumulative Contribution Award

1st Place Patty Myers, Buffalo

L.C. Bishop Award

1st Place Geri and George Zeimans for Western Plains Historic Preservation Assn., Lingle.

Judge and Mrs. Percy Metz Award

1st Place Alice Tratebas, Old Mill Inn Photographic Database, Newcastle.

Maurine Carley Memorial Historic Preservation Award

1st Place Sherri Mullinnix for Camp Douglas: POW Camp

Outstanding Historic Preservation Award

1st Place Scott and Jacey Bauman, College Inn Bar, Douglas

Young Historians Grades 3-5

1st Place Collin McConkey for "Native American Life," Newcastle.

2nd Place Madison Hespe for "The Medicine Wheel," Newcastle.

3rd Place Spencer Lorenz for "Native American Villages," Newcastle.

Young Historians Grades 9-12

1st Place Paige Martinez for "...the American Bison," Cody.

2nd Place Aby Bock for "Wyoming Art History, Newcastle.

3rd Place Shaye Walker for "Boom and Bust," Newcastle.

Junior Activities Grades 3-5

1st Place Janet Ruleaux, educator for classroom activity "Big Horn Museum," Sheridan.

2nd Place Drew Conzelman for "the Big Hunt," Newcastle.

3rd Place Jace Rich for "Wyoming Indian History," Newcastle.