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## **GHRAC AWARDS PRESENTED**

*Morrow, GA, October 19, 2018* – Executive Vice Chancellor Tristan Denley and the Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC) presented 28 awards during the sixteenth annual GHRAC Archives Awards ceremony at the Georgia Archives on Tuesday, October 16, 2018. The GHRAC awards recognize outstanding efforts in archives and records work in Georgia.

### 2018 GHRAC Award Winners

#### **Award for Advocacy**

- Anne C. Bailey (State University of New York), for *The Weeping Time: Memory and the Largest Slave Auction in American History* (2017)
- Georgia Public Library Service (Atlanta), for the booklet, *Georgia Treasures: Exploring Your Genealogy, History and Culture at Public Libraries*
- R. B. Rosenberg (Clayton State University History Program), for documenting the deaths of Georgians while in military service during World War I

#### **Award for Local History Advocacy**

- Andrew Bramlett (Kennesaw), for the Kennesaw Historical Society Lecture Series: *Kennesaw Historic Cemetery, Kennesaw Mountain History, and A Brief History of Kennesaw, Georgia*
- Johnette Brooks (Decatur), for the First Annual Annie Veal Brooks Memorial African-American Heritage & Diversity of Georgia Symposium, a spreadsheet of World War I colored troops and her nomination of Ludie Clay Andrews, R.N. in the *Georgia Women of Achievement*.
- James W. Cofer, Jr. (Snellville), for the book, *200 Years of Snellville History*
- Bruce T. Gourley (Manhattan, MT), for the book, *A Journey of Faith and Community: The Story of the First Baptist Church of Augusta, Georgia*
- Louise Staman (Savannah), for the book, *Restoring Lost Times: Savannah's Anna Colquitt Hunter*
- Tattnall County Archives (Reidsville), for the development of a strong local archives program

#### **Award for Excellence in Archival Program Development by a Local Government Records Repository**

- Atlanta Housing, for the Atlanta Housing Archives Program
- Flagpole Digitization Project (Athens), for digitization of the Athens alternative publication, the Flagpole Magazine, 1987-2013

#### **Award for Excellence in Archival Program Development by a State Institution**

- Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (Tifton), for stabilizing, rehousing, and cataloging the collections of the Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Archives
- Digital Library of Georgia (Athens), for the Digital Library of Georgia Subgranting Program, providing grant assistance for the digitization of small collections

#### **Award for Excellence in Documenting Georgia's History**

- Staci L. Catron (Atlanta), Mary Ann Eaddy (Decatur), and James R. Lockhart (Stone Mountain), for the book, Seeking Eden: A Collection of Georgia's Historic Gardens
- Maurice J. Hobson (Georgia State University), for the book, The Legend of the Black Mecca: Politics and Class in the Making of Modern Atlanta
- Jim Jordan (Okatie, SC), for the book, The Slave-Trader's Letter-Book: Charles Lamar, the Wanderer, and Other Tales of the African Slave Trade

#### **Award for Excellence in Research Using the Holdings of Archives**

- Karen Cook Bell (Bowie State University, MD), for Claiming Freedom: Race, Kinship, and Land in Nineteenth-Century Georgia
- Gregory Mixon (University of North Carolina-Charlotte), for the book, Show Thyself a Man: Georgia State Troops, Colored, 1865-1905
- Ciaran B. Trace (The University of Texas at Austin), for the article "Sweeping out the Capitol: The State Archives and Politics of Administration of Georgia, 1921-1923"

#### **Award for Excellence in the Educational Use of Historical Records**

- Clayton State University History Program for the 2017 senior thesis project, which focused on the U.S. Food Administration conservation efforts during the First World War

#### **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Graduate Level**

- Laura Nelson (University of Georgia History Department), for the MA thesis "Wilkes Flagg and the Ambiguity of Race in 19th Century Middle Georgia"

#### **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Grades 9-12**

- Thomas Bordeaux (Jenkins High School, Savannah), for the National History Day paper "Saving the Shops: the Fight to Preserve the Savannah Railroad Complex"
- Becky Dorminy (NARA at Atlanta, Home School, History), for the National History Day exhibit, "The Heir Apparent: The Three Governors Controversy and the Rise of Herman Talmadge"
- Mark Gamboa (Covenant Christian Ministries Academy) for the website, "Eugene Bullard: The First Pilot to Circumvent Racism"

- Eleanor McCoy (Columbus High School), for the documentary, “From Lieutenant to Rusty: How to Rehabilitate a War Criminal”

### **Award for Excellence in Student Research Using Historical Records, Grades 6-8**

- Alex Szymanski and Sophie Mullaney (Midtown International School), for the National History Day junior group website, “Calling the Shots: Taking a Stand Against the Speckled Monster”

### **Lifetime Achievement Award**

- Joe Hungate (Snellville), for ongoing volunteer projects for the Thomaston-Upson Archives (2001-present)
- Thomas A. Scott (Kennesaw State University, retired), for his outstanding career in teaching and scholarship

GHRAC works to promote the educational use of Georgia’s documentary heritage and to support efforts to improve the condition of records statewide. The Board is charged with advising the Chancellor and the Georgia Archives on records and policy issues. For more information, please visit [www.GeorgiaArchives.org](http://www.GeorgiaArchives.org) and click on Partners, then click on Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council (GHRAC).

Nominations for the 2019 Awards will be accepted beginning February 1, 2019, and they must be postmarked by June 1, 2019. More information is available from the Georgia Archives website, [https://www.georgiaarchives.org/ghrac/awards\\_program](https://www.georgiaarchives.org/ghrac/awards_program).

The Georgia Archives is a unit of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and identifies, collects, manages, preserves, and publicizes records and information of Georgia and its people and assists state and local government agencies with their records management. This work is done within the framework of the USG’s mission to create a more highly educated Georgia.

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