

KentuckyHistoricalSociety

# KENTUCKY HISTORY AWARDS

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## KENTUCKY HISTORY AWARDS 2011 NOMINATION PACKET

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## INTRODUCTION

The Kentucky Historical Society (KHS) is pleased to sponsor the Kentucky History Awards. This program recognizes outstanding achievements by historians, public history professionals, volunteers, business and civic leaders, communities and historical organizations throughout the commonwealth. KHS encourages organizations, individuals and communities across the state to nominate deserving projects and individuals for their efforts to promote the preservation, awareness and appreciation of state and local history.

## RULES FOR ENTRIES

- Nominations must pertain to some aspect of Kentucky state or local history, or must have been a project sponsored by or initiated to benefit a museum, historical society, genealogical society or other history-related organization in Kentucky.
- All nominated projects must have been initiated or completed between Jan. 1, 2010 and Dec. 31, 2010.
- Completed nominations must be received by the Thomas D. Clark Center for Kentucky History, 100 West Broadway, Frankfort, KY 40601 by close of business, Friday, July 15, 2011. No late entries will be accepted.
- An applicant may self-nominate projects, programs or publications. Self-nomination is encouraged.
- There is no limit to the number of projects, individuals, etc., an organization may nominate.
- A separate nomination package is required for consideration in each category and for each project. If an organization or individual wishes to nominate several projects in a single category, or if an organization or individual wishes to be considered for multiple categories, separate nominations are required for each.
- Incomplete nominations will not be considered.
- KHS reserves the right to disqualify any nomination that does not meet the minimum requirements, as determined by the staff or judges.

## AWARDS

**Service Awards:** One award recipient will be selected in each category. The Brig. Gen. William R. Buster Award recipient will receive an engraved silver tray. Each of the remaining Service Award recipients will receive a \$250 cash award and an engraved julep cup. Cash awards for the Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award and the Volunteer Organization or Group Award will be presented to the organization that each winner represents.

**General Awards:** General Award category nominations will be selected based on the judging criteria and against other nominations within the same category and class. Selected nominations will receive an Award of Merit indicating that the project is of outstanding quality and can serve as a statewide or national model.

## NOTIFICATION OF AWARD

All entries that receive an award will be notified by phone or email by Friday, September 23, 2011. Awards will be presented at the Kentucky History Celebration at the Old State Capitol in Frankfort on Friday, Nov. 11, 2011. [Each award winner should send a representative to the celebration to accept the award.]

**NOTE: Please include a digital photograph of the entry. Photographs of each winner will be displayed at the time the award is presented.**

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## CRITERIA FOR ENTRIES

All awards are required to include:

- Cover sheet
- Checklist
- Narrative explaining how the project, individual or organization has met or exceeded the criteria for the award or category
- Supporting materials
- Digital photograph of the nominee - email to Ann Johnson ([annj.johnson@ky.gov](mailto:annj.johnson@ky.gov))

Each award category has a unique set of criteria. The narrative section must explain how the nominee has met or exceeded the criteria. Nominations should include supporting documents such as photos, slides, copies of flyers, newspaper articles, scrapbooks, or other appropriate materials that help document the project or nominee's work. Nominations may also include up to three letters of support.

Supporting materials will not be returned unless requested.

Mail the nomination package to:

**Kentucky History Awards Nomination**  
**Kentucky Historical Society**  
**100 W. Broadway**  
**Frankfort, KY 40601**

For information or questions, contact Ann Johnson at 502-564-1792 or [annj.johnson@ky.gov](mailto:annj.johnson@ky.gov).

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## SERVICE AWARDS

### **Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence**

Presented to a local historical organization for outstanding achievement throughout the year. The nomination should show evidence that an organization has:

- raised the visibility and relevance of history within its community through programs, exhibitions, publications and services
- presented balanced and varied programs, exhibits and publications throughout the year
- based programs, exhibits and publications on strong historical content, and/or
- engaged and been supported by its local community

### **Award of Distinction**

Presented to a non-paid individual who, as a volunteer, board member, or member of an organization, has made a significant contribution to state and local history during his/her career at one or more museums, historical societies, genealogical societies or other history-related organizations. The nomination should show evidence that this person has:

- contributed significant time and energy to preserving and promoting state or local history in his or her community or in the state
- helped to make the organization a more effective service-provider in the community, and/or
- made a significant impact on the study of Kentucky state or local history at the local, regional, state or national level

### **Frank R. Levstik Award for Professional Service**

Presented to a current or recently retired (within the last two years) paid staff member of a museum, historical society, genealogical society or other history-related organization in the state. The nomination should show evidence that the staff member has:

- demonstrated exemplary work and dedication to his/her institution
- been instrumental in raising the overall excellence and professionalism of an institution
- contributed to the overall professionalism of history organizations and museums in Kentucky through participation and leadership roles in professional organizations, or
- has been in active service to other organizations through workshops, presentations, research, publications, or other activities

### **Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award**

Individual who has demonstrated a consistent commitment to Kentucky history through his/her work, writings, activities or support for historical organizations in Kentucky.

### **Brig. Gen. William R. Buster Award**

Individual who has made sustained significant contributions to Kentucky's military history through his/her work, activities or support of historical organizations within the commonwealth.

### **Volunteer Organization or Group Award**

An organization that is managed exclusively by volunteers or a volunteer group that has made a substantial contribution of time and/or talents that benefits state or local history organizations or projects and/or has helped to make a historical organization a more effective service-provider in the community.

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### GENERAL AWARDS

General awards recognize exemplary historical projects in the areas of Education – (1) exhibitions, (2) multimedia (including audio/visual and oral history projects), (3) preservation, (4) programming (public or school), and (5) special projects – and Publications – (1) books, pamphlets and other printed materials, and (2) websites or online indexes.

Projects in either category (education or publications) must demonstrate the following:

- **Value** – the project makes a significant contribution to Kentucky history (state or local)
- **Rigor** – the content is accurate, balanced, and meets established state and national standards
- **Relevance** – the program is meaningful, accessible, and of benefit to the targeted audience or community
- **Accessibility** – the product is easy to use, and adheres to established industry accessibility standards

*\* Nominations of a printed publication must include a copy of the work (book, brochure, pamphlet, poster, catalog, newsletter or journal).*

*\* Nominations of an electronic publication must include a live link to the work (website, database or index, etc.) on the nomination coversheet.*

*\* Nominated programs must include supporting documents in the form of photographs, attendance figures, exhibit drawings or outlines, flyers or brochures, newspaper articles, evaluations, scripts for audiovisuals, texts for exhibit labels, sample transcriptions for oral history projects, etc.*

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### NOMINATION CHECKLIST

*(Required for all nominations)*

**ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY  
CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY, JULY 15, 2011.**

..... **Cover Sheet**

..... **Nomination Form**

..... **Narrative (not to exceed two pages)**

..... **Supporting materials**

..... **Digital photographs\***

\*Please include one to three photographs that can be used to illustrate the nominated project, program or publication or that demonstrate the contributions of the group or individual. KHS reserves the right to use these photographs in the promotion of the Kentucky History Awards program.

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## COVER SHEET

*(Required for all nominations)*

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: FRIDAY, JULY 15, 2011**

Nominee (organization, group or individual)

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Project title (if applicable)

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Address

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City..... State / Zip.....

Phone..... Fax .....

e-mail.....

Nominated by

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Address

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City..... State / Zip.....

Phone..... Fax .....

e-mail.....

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## COVER SHEET (CONT.)

*(Required for all nominations)*

Name of person who will accept award if selected *(may be the nominee or a representative)*

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*(Must attend program in Frankfort on Friday, Nov. 11, 2011.)*

Address

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City..... State / Zip .....

Phone..... Fax .....

e-mail.....

Name / e-mail address of local newspaper

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## COVER SHEET (CONT.)

NOMINATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED IN MULTIPLE CATEGORIES, MUST HAVE A SEPARATE SUBMISSION FOR EACH CATEGORY.

### SERVICE AWARD CATEGORIES

One recipient per category.

..... Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence

..... Award of Distinction

..... Frank R. Levstik Award for Professional Service

..... Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award

..... Brig. Gen. William R. Buster Award

..... Volunteer Organization or Group Award

### GENERAL AWARD CATEGORIES

No limit on the number of nominations. Each project requires a separate nomination form/packet.  
PLEASE INDICATE THE APPROPRIATE CLASS AND TYPE.

..... Class A—Projects with budgets of less than \$5,000 per year

TYPE ..... Education Program ..... Publication

..... Class B—Projects with budgets of \$5,001-10,000 per year

TYPE ..... Education Program ..... Publication

..... Class C—Projects with budgets of \$10,001-50,000 per year

TYPE ..... Education Program ..... Publication

..... Class D—Projects with budgets of \$50,001-100,000 per year

TYPE ..... Education Program ..... Publication

..... Class E—Projects with budgets of more than \$100,000 per year

TYPE ..... Education Program ..... Publication

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## NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

Describe in two pages or less how the nominee or the nominated project has met or exceeded the criteria listed under the appropriate category. Narratives exceeding two pages will not be considered.

## SERVICE AWARDS

### **Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence**

Explain how the nominee has:

- raised the visibility and relevance of history within its community through programs, exhibitions, publications and services
- presented balanced and varied programs, exhibits and publications throughout the year
- based programs, exhibits and publications on strong historical content, and/or
- engaged and been supported by its local community

List the number of staff and volunteers involved in the organization.

### **Award of Distinction**

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Explain how the nominee has:

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### **Lifetime Dedication to Kentucky History Award**

Explain how the nominee has either:

- consistently shown support for history and history projects in their community, region or state, and/or
- initiated or participated in a special project that has brought wide recognition to some facet of state or local history

### **Brig. Gen. William R. Buster Award**

Explain how the nominee has either:

- shown sustained support for military history and history projects in their community, region or state, or
- initiated or participated in a military history project that has brought wide recognition to some facet of state or local history

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### **Volunteer Organization or Group Award**

Explain how the nominee has either:

- consistently shown support for history and history projects in its/their community, region or state, and/or
- initiated or participated in a special project that has brought wide recognition to some facet of state or local history.

### **GENERAL AWARDS**

Explain how the nominated project in either category (education or publications) demonstrates the following:

- **Value** – the project makes a significant contribution to Kentucky history (state or local)
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### DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: FRIDAY, JULY 15, 2011

Awards will be presented at the 2011 Kentucky History Celebration & Kentucky Historical Society Annual Meeting at the Old State Capitol in Frankfort, at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 11, 2011. Plan now to attend.

Do not forget to include:

..... **Three copies of the cover sheet**

..... **Three copies of the nomination form**

..... **Three copies of the narrative**

..... **One copy of supporting documents**

..... **Digital photograph of the nominee**

*The Kentucky Historical Society does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion or disability and provides, on request, reasonable accommodation including auxiliary aids and services necessary to afford an individual with a disability an equal opportunity to participate in all services, programs and activities.*

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