

Indiana Historical Society Awards

Honorary Member (1990-2003)

To recognize achievement in historical and literary pursuits and contribution to the work of the IHS

1990	Hubert Hawkins
1991	Dorothy Riker
1992	Herbert Korra
1993	Dodie Baker
1994	Shirley S. McCord
1996	Doris B. Leistner
1997	Sally Reahard
1998	Mary O'Brien Gibson
1999	Ruth Dorrel
2000	Ruth Wimer
2001	Edward E. Breen
2002	Dwight Mikkelson
2003	Jane Sarles

Hoosier Historian (1990-2003)

To recognize distinguished contributions to the world of historical scholarship or the affairs and activities of the IHS

1990	Harvey Carter
1991	Donald Carmony
1992	Emma Lou Thornbrough
1993	James H. Madison
1994	Lorna Lutes Sylvester
1995	Harry Smith
1996	Richard S. Simons; Richard S. Skidmore
1997	Gilbert R. Tredway
1998	Ray E. Boomhower
1999	George T. Blakey
2000	William F. Munn; Wiley W. Spurgeon
2002	Darrel Bigham
2003	Robert G. Barrows; William E. Bartelt

Dorothy Riker Hoosier Historian Award

To recognize distinguished contributions to the world of historical scholarship or the affairs and activities of the IHS

2005	Judith Vale Newton; Carol Ann Weiss
2006	Linda Black
2007	Virginia Reeves
2010	James Cooper
2011	Paula Corpuz; Donald E. Pitzer
2012	James B. Lane; Carl Edward Kramer
2013	Beth Ann Bassett
2014	Ronald Vaughan Morris; Stanley Warren
2015	Doria Lynch; Michael A. Peake
2016	Eunice Brewer-Trotter; Kenneth J. Schoon
2017	Charles Edward Grogan; Rachel Berenson Perry
2018	Randy K. Mills
2019	Amber D. Gowan
2020	Anita Morgan; Paul R. Mullins
2021	Jill Weiss Simins

**Emma Lou and Gayle Thornbrough Award
(1993-2015)**

For best article in the
Indiana Magazine of History

1993	Rodney O. Davis
1994	George T. Blakey
1995	Lana Ruegamer
1996	Joseph L. Peyser
1997	Thomas E. Rodgers
1998	Kathleen A. Murphey
1999	Peter S. Onuf
2000	Thomas D. Hamm; Margaret Marconi; Gretchen Kleinhnen Salinas; Benjamin Whitman
2001	Ellen D. Swain
2002	Charles H. Martin
2003	Ray M. Shortridge
2004	Allen Safianow
2005	Sarah Igo
2006	Nancy Nakano
2007	Alexandra Minna Stern
2008	David Jones
2009	Erika Doss
2010	Stephen Towne
2011	John Eicher
2012	Katherine Turk
2013	Tamsen Anderson
2014	Stephen E. Towne
2015	S. Chandler Lighty

Jacob Piatt Dunn Jr. Award

For best article in
Traces of Indiana and Midwestern History

1996	Harriet G. Warkel
1997	Clayton W. Henderson
1998	Evan Finch
1999	Gerald Waite
2000	Ruth Padget Albright
2001	Caroline Nellis
2002	Graeme Reid; Edward K. Spann
2003	Elizabeth Brand Monroe; Andrew R. Seager; Perry R. Secrest
2004	Stephen J. Jay
2005	Theodore Slutz
2006	George Blakey
2007	Douglas Wissing
2008	Ann Allen
2009	Douglas Wissing
2010	Nelson Price
2011	Jennifer Harrison
2012	Frank A. Cassell
2013	Allen Safianow
2014	Rachel Berenson Perry
2015	Jane E. Harlan-Simmons
2016	Zak Keefer
2017	J. Gregory Redding
2018	Dan Carpenter
2019	Tiffany Costley
2020	Anita Morgan
2021	Rebecca R. Bibbs

Eli Lilly Lifetime Achievement Award

To recognize extraordinary contribution, over an extended period of time, to the field of history and/or the affairs of the IHS

1999	Alan T. Nolan
2000	Nancy Niblack Baxter
2001	Peter T. Harstad
2002	Bernard W. Sheehan
2003	Richard O. Ristine
2004	Ervin Beck
2005	Thomas K. Krasean
2006	H. Roll McLaughlin
2007	Doris Byrd Leistner
2008	Joe Heaton Burgess; Daniel McCain
2009	Tom Castaldi; John J. Newman
2010	Ralph D. Gray
2011	Pamela J. Bennett; Maxine F. Brown
2012	Rev. Cyprian Davis, O.S.B.
2013	Phyllis White Geeslin
2014	James J. Barnes; Timothy Crumrin; James A. Glass
2015	(no award given)
2016	Rita Kohn
2017	Wilma Gibbs Moore; Shirley Willard
2018	Robert G. Barrows
2019	Dianne Johnson Cartmel; Alan January; Curt B. Witcher
2020	Connie Weinzapfel
2021	(no award given)

**Dorothy Riker Award for Innovation
in the Field of History (2000-2004)**

To recognize the practice of innovative methods in the field of history including presentation, use of materials, and preservation

2000	Ronald Woodward
2001	Shirley Willard
2002	Delora Douglas; Kristopher Ligget; Larry Ligget
2004	Marylee Hagan; Sherri Wright

**Indiana Historical Society
Award of Distinction**

To recognize extraordinary efforts on behalf of Indiana history

2007	Senator James Merritt
------	-----------------------

Award of Merit for Youth Leadership in History

To recognize young historians for exceptional history projects

2013	Cole M. Thompson
------	------------------

Hubert Hawkins History Award

To recognize distinguished service and career in local history

2002	William E. Hall; Fern Eddy Schultz; Ron Sharp; Bruce Woods
2003	Karen Zach; Vivian Zollinger
2004	Richard Oral Eastridge; Frances Egner; Leon Warner
2005	Monisa Wisener
2006	Martha Pickrell
2007	Sylvia Henricks; David Barksdale
2008	Jean Gernand
2009	Jeanne Burke; Donald Dunaway; Richard C. Schmal
2010	Marvin Allen; Michael McCormick
2011	Jane Walsh-Brown
2012	Brigette Cook Jones; Stephen T. Jackson; Patty Sue Trotman
2013	Elin Christianson
2014	Dharathula "Dolly" H. Millender
2015	Martha Bladen; Pete Jones; Joe Skvarenina
2016	Carolyn I. Schmidt; Pat and Denis Schrank
2017	Brian Spangle
2018	Barbara Johnson; Elizabeth Mitchell
2019	Alan Hague; Helen Parks; Thomas Howard Ridley
2020	Libby Cierzniak; Barbara Brown Meyer Young
2021	Dr. James MacLeod

History Teacher of the Year (2003-2004)

To recognize significant contribution to the understanding of American or Indiana history for students in grades one through twelve

2003 Mary Lou Waters
2004 John H. Fannin

Caleb Mills Indiana History Teacher of the Year

2005 Kathryn Lerch
2006 (no award given)
2007 Jon D. Carl
2008 Dan Smith
2010 Rebecah F. Boyle
2011 Mary Anthrop
2012 Peggy Eckerty
2013 Ashley M. Greeley
2014 Michael Hutchison
2015 John W. Pratt
2016 Andrea Neal; Michael Potts
2017 Susan Tomlinson
2018 Merrill M. Punke
2019 April Tuason
2020 Mariah Pol; Kristin E. Rentschler
2021 Troy Hammon

Willard C. Heiss Family History and Genealogy Award

To recognize distinguished service and career in Indiana family history including presentation, use of materials, and preservation

2006 Betty Warren
2007 B. Joan Keefer
2008 Phyllis J. Moore
2009 Elizabeth Knapp
2010 Chris McHenry; Evelyn Jackson
2011 Russell Wilhoit
2012 Darlene Rigg; Julie A. Schlesselman
2013 Larry M. Burmeister; Max and Judy Wiesenauer
2014 Diane Weimer Sharp; Lynne C. Morris Keasling
2015 Louise K. Clamme
2016 Lee Bilderback
2017 (no award given)
2018 Carol Faenzi
2019 Mary Blair Immel; Linda Kelly Talley
2020 Dixie Kline Richardson
2021 (no award given)

Outstanding Historical Organization Award

To recognize remarkable public services to and programs in the community

2007 Switzerland County Historical Society
2008 Howard County Historical Society
2009 North Manchester Historical Society
2010 Dubois County Museum; Lyles Station Historic Preservation Corporation
2011 La Porte County Historical Society Museum; Center for History operated by the Northern Indiana Historical Society
2012 Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site; Knox County Public Library
2013 Carroll County Wabash & Erie Canal Association
2014 Marshall County Historical Society
2015 Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County
2016 Madison County Historical Society, Inc.; Porter County Museum
2017 Historical Society of Ogden Dunes
2019 Daviess County Historical Society & Museum
2020 Kurt Vonnegut Museum and Library
2021 (no award given)

Indiana History Outstanding

Event or Project Award

To recognize organizations for exceptional educational events or history projects

- 2009 Ball State University Department of History;
Wabash County Historical Museum;
Indiana Supreme Court
- 2010 Eckhart Public Library Centennial Celebration
Committee; The Greensburg/
St. Mary's Chapter of Little Hoosiers
- 2011 Ball State University College of Sciences and
Humanities
- 2012 Howard County Historical Society, Oral History
Committee
- 2013 Greensburg Community High School;
North Manchester Historical Society;
Porter County Museum of History;
South Shore Convention and Visitors Authority
- 2014 Bartholomew County Historical Society;
Historical Society of Harrison County
- 2015 The Whiting Robertsdale Historical Society
- 2016 History Center of Fort Wayne;
Indiana Women's Prison History Project
- 2017 Buffalo Trace Working Group
- 2019 Delaware County Historical Society
- 2020 Caroline Scott Harrison Chapter, National
Society Daughters of the American Revolution;
Gudaitis Production;
Indiana Council for the Social Studies;
Ted Green Films and WFYI Public Media
- 2021 Lawrence County (Illinois) Historical Society;
Marshall County Historical Society

Outstanding Bicentennial Collaborative Project Award

To recognize a Bicentennial-related event or history project for exceptional involvement of multiple organizations

- 2015 Indiana State Library's Hoosier State Chronicles:
Indiana's Digital Historic Newspaper Program
- 2016 Indiana Barn Foundation's Bicentennial Barn
Quilt
- 2017 Central Middle School;
Indiana Office of Tourism Development;
Richmond Art Museum/Rick Wilson;
WFYI Public Media/Indiana Humanities

Outstanding Collaborative Project Award

To recognize an exceptional project by a historical or heritage organization with one or more partners

- 2018 Holland Events Committee – Town of Holland
- 2019 Monroe County History Center and Alzheimer's
Resources Services for IU Health
- 2020 Courthouse Clocktower Restoration Committee
and the Montgomery County Historical Society;
Colored Cemetery Restoration and Preservation
Project/Reece Thompson; Wonder Five
Centennial Marker Project
- 2021 Bartholomew County Historical Society and the
Bartholomew County Public Library;
Leadership Johnson County at Franklin College