

# CALDWELL MEMORIAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN HISTORY

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THE WALTER PRESCOTT WEBB SOCIETY OF  
THE TEXAS STATE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

**Deadline: January 15, 2021**

Each year the Walter Prescott Webb Society, the college affiliate of the Texas State Historical Association, recognizes excellence in historical research and writing with the C.M. Caldwell Memorial Awards. Entries to the competition can be research papers or projects. Provisions of competition are as follows.

## WRITING CONTEST

Research papers on Texas or local history should be 12-30 pages in length and properly documented. (Previously published papers are not eligible.) Documentation should be in accordance with the style guide adopted by the Texas State Historical Association for the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*. The style guide is available online at <https://www.tshaonline.org/help-topics/shq/information-for-authors#style-guide>.

## CHAPTER RESEARCH PROJECT

Research projects can take a number of forms. Teaching units for primary or secondary schools may be developed. Documentary media productions should be submitted in video format. Oral history projects, collecting programs (photographs, artifacts, documents, business records, or personal correspondence), and historical restoration and preservation projects should be submitted as project reports which outline a) the scope of the undertaking; b) its purpose; c) procedures followed; d) findings; e) conclusions; f) significance of the project. These reports should be accompanied with substantial evidence such as slides, tapes, photographs, etc.

## STUDENT DIVISIONS

Indicate if writers/producers are Lower Division Students, that is, college or university freshmen and sophomores as of September 1 of the current academic year. Upper Division Students, that is, juniors and seniors as of September 1 of the current academic year; or Graduate Students enrolled in a graduate history program.

## PRIZES

Four prizes are awarded in both the Lower Division and the Upper Division: **First Place—\$400, Second Place—\$300, Third Place—\$150, Fourth Place—\$75**. The Graduate Division offers two awards, **First Place—\$400 and Second Place—\$300**. Writing contest essays are eligible to be selected for publication in *Touchstone*, the journal of the Webb Society.

A **special \$600 prize** will also be presented for an outstanding project entered by a **chapter**, either junior or senior division. Any project developed by two or more students will be evaluated as a chapter project. Chapter prizes will be disbursed to the chapter.

## SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINE

**Contest entries must be received by TSHA on or before January 15, 2020.** The papers will be sent to the judges via email, so we need the papers electronically to save time. Please **email** the research papers or project reports (in Microsoft Word format) and a registration form, to [lisa.berg@tshaonline.org](mailto:lisa.berg@tshaonline.org).

## INFORMATION

Contact Lisa Berg at (615)293-1969 or [lisa.berg@tshaonline.org](mailto:lisa.berg@tshaonline.org)

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## 2021 CONTEST REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete form and email it with your paper or chapter project.

**DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15, 2021**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

College/University \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Paper Title \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Lower Division - college/university freshman or sophomore (59 or less semester hours credit)

\_\_\_ Upper Division - college/university junior or senior (60 or more semester hours credit)

\_\_\_ Graduate Division – student enrolled in a graduate history program

Author's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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### EMAIL CONTEST MATERIALS TO:

[lisa.berg@tshaonline.org](mailto:lisa.berg@tshaonline.org) with "Caldwell Contest"  
in the subject line.

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### PLEASE INCLUDE:

- ✓ Registration form
- ✓ Microsoft Word file of the research paper/project report

*The results of the Caldwell Memorial Awards will be announced at a special virtual Webb Society Awards Ceremony on Friday, January 29 at 4:00pm. The Awards Ceremony will be recorded and shown during the 124<sup>th</sup> TSHA Annual Meeting, held virtually on March 4-6, 2021. For more information, visit [www.TSHAonline.org](http://www.TSHAonline.org) or call Lisa Berg at (615)293-1969.*

*A number of papers will be chosen for publication in Touchstone, the journal of the Webb Historical Society, published annually in March. Selected authors will be contacted for permission prior to publication.*