



Dear Friend of History,

Since 1982, the East Tennessee Historical Society has recognized individuals and organizations that have made special contributions toward the preservation, promotion, and/or interpretation of East Tennessee's history.

In an effort to make these awards an accurate representation of the region's commitment to history, we are asking individuals and organizations across the area to submit nominations for these awards. Organizations also should feel free to nominate themselves when applicable. Nominated projects should have been completed within the past year (2023).

A brief description of these awards is listed below:

**Teaching Excellence**—for outstanding or innovative teaching of East Tennessee history, family history, or genealogy at any level, from grammar school through adult education.

**History in the Media**—in recognition of excellence in the promotion, preservation, or interpretation of history by an individual or organization related through writing, production, performance, websites, social media campaigns, or other.

**Project Excellence**—in recognition of a special project, such as a book or other publication; building preservation; or special programming (conference, heritage event, lecture series, other) produced by an individual or organization.

**Community History Leadership**—in recognition of excellence in community leadership, specifically in promoting the preservation, promotion, and/or interpretation of local East Tennessee history.

**Lifetime Achievement**—in recognition of an individual who, over the course of a lifetime, has made outstanding contributions to the preservation, promotion, or interpretation of East Tennessee history.

We hope you will consider making nominations on behalf of your friends or organization. If you represent a historical society, museum, or other organization, please share this invitation with your members and friends.

Recipients will be recognized at the ETHS Awards of Excellence event on Saturday, May 18, in Knoxville (location to be determined). More information on times and tickets will be available in early April.

An Award Nomination Application is included. Nominations should be received by March 15, 2024. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office at 865-215-8824 or email [eths@eastTNhistory.org](mailto:eths@eastTNhistory.org).

Sincerely yours,

A. Warren Dockter, PhD  
President/CEO



## 2024 Award of Excellence Nomination Application

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_  
(organization or individual)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Award nominations should be received by **March 15, 2024**. Awards will be presented at a special presentation on **May 18** in Knoxville (location to be determined). More information on times and tickets to come.

### 1. Award Categories (choose one):

- **Teaching Excellence**—for outstanding or innovative teaching of East Tennessee history, family history, or genealogy at any level, from grammar school through adult education.
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### Award Nomination Elements:

Please complete the nomination form and attach a narrative (1,000 words or less) that addresses:

1. A brief written description of the significant work of the person or organization as related to the selected award category.
2. How the person, group, or project has contributed to the preservation, promotion, and/or interpretation of East Tennessee history in 2023.
3. Conclusion on the significance and impact of the person, organization, or project.

**Also include:**

1. If a publication is being nominated, submit a copy of that publication.
2. With all nominations, include copies of press releases, publicity, screen shots, brochures, photos, and other documentary materials pertaining to the project or person.
3. Please submit/identify one image representative of the person, organization, or project.

**Name & address of person submitting the application:**

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

For additional event details or to access an application online: <https://easttnhistory.org/programs-events/eths-awards-of-excellence/>

Submit nominations via email: [eths@eastTNhistory.org](mailto:eths@eastTNhistory.org)

Subject line: **ETHS 2024 Awards Nomination—Nominee Name**

Or mail (postmark in time for March 15, 2024, arrival):

**East Tennessee Historical Society  
P.O. Box 1629  
Knoxville, TN 37901  
865-215-8824**