



ARKANSAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

VIOLET B. GINGLES AND LUCILLE WESTBROOK LOCAL HISTORY AWARDS

APPLY NOW!

**Winner will receive a
certificate and
\$1000/\$500 prize**

The Arkansas Historical Association is pleased to announce the 2026 competition for the Violet B. Gingles and Lucille Westbrook Local History Awards. Anyone, whether a professional or an amateur historian, is eligible to submit.

The **Westbrook Local History Award** is presented for the **best manuscript article on a topic in local Arkansas history**. The article must deal with a phase of neighborhood, city, county, or regional history or with a person associated with local Arkansas history. Edited documents and memoirs will be considered for this award. The award recipient will receive a framed certificate and prize of \$1,000. The **Gingles Award** is presented for the **best manuscript article on any topic in Arkansas history**. The article can deal with any phase of the history of the state or with any individual connected with its past. The recipient will receive a \$500 prize.

Winners will be determined by a panel of judges, who will determine the placement of entries in either the Westbrook or Gingles category. An entry will not be considered for both prizes, and the AHA reserves the right not to award one or both of the prizes in a given year.

The award ceremony will be April 10, 2026 in Monticello, AR.

HOW TO SUBMIT

To be considered, entries should be submitted in **triplicate** to the AHA at the address below. Manuscripts should be no longer than thirty-five double-spaced pages and must be documented.

Entries may not have been submitted elsewhere or previously published. Notes should be numbered consecutively. Since manuscripts are evaluated anonymously, only the full title of the article should appear at the top of the first page. On a separate page the following information should be included: title, author's name, complete address, phone number, and email address. All essays will be considered for publication in the *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*. If the essay is not published, the author will be free to pursue other opportunities. One copy of each entry will be placed in Special Collections, University of Arkansas Libraries, Fayetteville. Submission of an entry presumes permission for researcher use.

**DEADLINE:
FEBRUARY 1, 2026**

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