

# CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

# DR. C. CALVIN SMITH SCHOLARSHIP

The Arkansas Historical Association announces the Dr. C. Calvin Smith Scholarship to support a college student inspired to follow in his footsteps. Dr. Smith (1943-2009) contributed to Arkansas history as a scholar, teacher, administrator, and mentor for more than thirty years. A son of the Delta, he was among the first generation of African Americans to earn a doctorate at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, and among the first Black faculty members at Arkansas State University, where he spent his career, retiring in 2002 at the rank of distinguished professor. He helped establish A-State's Heritage Studies Program while publishing pioneering scholarship of his own in Arkansas and African American history, including War and Wartime Changes: Arkansas, 1940-1945 and Educating the Masses: The Unfolding History of Black School Administrators in Arkansas, 1900-2000.

The scholarship will **include a two-year membership** in the AHA as well as a grant of up to **\$500** to fund attendance at the Association's annual conference and defray research and material expenses should the applicant present a paper there.

It is the Association's intent through this scholarship to build a membership that better reflects Arkansas in all of its wonderful variety.

The annual conference will be April 9-11, 2026 in Monticello, AR.

## APPLY NOW!

Winner will receive a \$500 scholarship

#### **HOW TO SUBMIT**

Applicants may self-nominate or be nominated by another person. Applications shall include a brief biography, a current plan of study, and a statement describing how the applicant hopes to build on Dr. Smith's legacy.

DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15, 2026

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