

The June Franklin Naylor Award for the Best Book for Children on Texas History

Daughters of the Republic of Texas Library, San Antonio, Texas

The June Franklin Naylor Award for the Best Book for Children on Texas History, endowed by the family of June Franklin Naylor and sponsored by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas Library, is given annually to the author/illustrator of the most distinguished book for children and young adults, grades K-12, that accurately portrays the history of Texas, whether fiction or nonfiction. A former schoolteacher and long-time resident of Odessa, Mrs. Naylor served as President General of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Inc., from 1989 to 1991.

2014 General Guidelines

The book must have been published for the first time within the calendar years, January 2013 - December of 2014. The exception to this rule is the reprint of an early book for children that is annotated or revised to make its story accessible to today's students.

Three (3) copies of the book must be submitted for each nomination. All books become the property of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, and will not be returned. Publishers should submit entries published during 2013 or 2014 to the DRT Library postmarked no later than December 31, 2014. Entries may be mailed to the DRT Library, P.O. Box 1401, San Antonio, Texas 78295-1401. Entries may also be hand-delivered by that date to the Daughters of the Republic of Texas Library, 300 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, Texas, during regular library hours, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Selections will be made from books nominated. If no book nominated is considered to meet the listed criteria, no award will be presented. The text and illustrations should be of highest quality and accuracy.

A three-member panel of judges comprised of historians, educators, librarians, and/or DRT members who are asked to serve by the DRT Library Committee Chairman judge the entries and select the top five entries. All committee members will meet in San Antonio at the DRT Library by the end of March, with a representative of the Naylor family, to select the award winner from the top five choices.

The 2014 committee is composed of Dr. Viki Ash, Coordinator of Children's Services, San Antonio Public Library, chair; Amy Carter, English Department Instructional Facilitator, Floresville High School, Floresville, Texas, and Sherri Driscoll, Museum Educator, The Alamo.

The winning entry will receive a cash prize of \$400. If the winning entry has multiple authors and/or illustrators, the committee may choose to honor them singly or together. If there is more than one honored, the cash award will be divided among them. Awards will be presented in May of 2015 at the Historical Evening during the Annual Conference of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. Only the finalist will be notified prior to the awards ceremony. The award winner will be responsible for his/her travel expenses, but will attend the dinner as a guest of the library.

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