

American Indian History Lifetime Achievement Award

The following is a list of noted scholars in the field who have won the award that exemplifies their superb scholarship and their dedication for "Helping Native American Students and advancing the Study of American Indian History." The award winners have been chosen from a nomination and voting process by the committee consisting of previous award winners.

- 2017 - Rayna Green (WHA Conference in San Diego)
- 2016 - Patricia Albers (WHA Conference in St. Paul)
- 2015 - Phil Deloria (WHA Conference in Portland)
- 2014 - Jean M. O'Brien (WHA Conference in Newport Beach)
- 2013 - Markku Henderickson (WHA Conference in Tucson)
- 2012 - Fred Hoxie (WHA Conference in Denver)
- 2011 - Colin Calloway (WHA Conference in Oakland)
- 2010 - Tsianina Lomawaima (WHA Conference in Lake Tahoe)
- 2009 - George Moses (WHA Conference in Denver)
- 2008 - Theda Perdue (WHA Conference in Salt Lake City)
- 2007 - Donald Fixico (WHA Conference in Oklahoma City)
- 2006 - William T. Hagan (WHA Conference in St. Louis)
- 2005 - Clara Sue Kidwell (WHA Conference in Scottsdale)
- 2004 - Vine Deloria Jr. (WHA Conference in Las Vegas)
- 2003 - Richard White (WHA Conference in Fort Worth)
- 2002 - John Wunder (WHA Conference in Colorado Springs)
- 2001 - Floyd O'Neil (WHA Conference in San Diego)
- 2000 - Margaret Connell Szasz (WHA Conference in San Antonio)
- 1999 - Peter Iverson (WHA Conference in Portland)
- 1998 - David Edmunds (WHA Conference in Sacramento)
- 1997 - Blue Clark (WHA Conference in St. Paul)