

SHEAR Book Prize Submission Guidelines 2009

As you may know, the SHEAR book prize is awarded to an original monograph that deals with the period 1776-1861 in America. Certainly, some books that we consider cover a slightly broader time frame than this. But in order to qualify, the book must make its primary scholarly contribution to the history of the early American republic. Within that period, the book may treat virtually any aspect of history, including political, economic, social, or cultural history. In addition, let me emphasize that the book must be an original monograph or a collection of original essays. Editions of primary sources will not be considered, nor will new editions of old books or anthologies of previously published essays.

We will award prizes for “best book” and “best first book” published in 2009. We interpret that to mean that the book carries a 2009 copyright date. A book with a 2009 copyright date whose publication was delayed until 2010, for example, is normally ineligible.

Please send one copy of each of your books that satisfy these guidelines to the members of this year’s Book Prize Committee by **March 1, 2010**.

If you wish to make a nomination or nominations, please send copies of those books to the prize committee judges, whose addresses are below:

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