Ray L. Hart Service Award Solicitation

The AAR Board of Directors and Executive Committee invites nominations for the Ray L. Hart Service Award.

The Ray L. Hart Service Award, established by the Board of Directors in 1992, is given to persons whose dedication and service to the AAR's mission of fostering excellence in the field of religion. More information about this award can be found here.

Prior awardees are as follows:

- Judith Berling (2005)
- Harry Buck and Robert V. Smith, given as "Founders Award" (2002)
- Peter Paris (2001)
- Robert Detweiler (1997)
- Austin Creel (1995)
- Raymond Williams (1994)
- Ray L. Hart (1993)

The Executive Committee selects the awardee. Nominations may be sent to them through the executive office.

Hart Service Award
American Academy of Religion
825 Houston Mill Road
Suite 300
Atlanta, GA 30329
Marty Award Solicitation

The Public Understanding of Religion Committee enthusiastically invites nominations and self-nominations for the Martin E. Marty Award.

The Martin E. Marty Award, established in 1996, recognizes extraordinary contributions to the public understanding of religion that speak not just to scholars but more broadly to the public as well. Nominees need not be AAR members or academics.

For nomination details, please click here or mail the name of the nominee, his or her affiliation, and any supporting information to:

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American Academy of Religion
825 Houston Mill Road
Suite 300
Atlanta, GA 30329

The deadline for 2012 has already passed. For 2013, the nomination deadline is January 25, 2013.

Excellence in Teaching Award Solicitation

The Teaching and Learning Committee seeks nominations for the AAR Award for Excellence in Teaching. Nominations of winners of campus awards, or any other awards, are encouraged. Procedures for the nomination process are outlined on the AAR website. The deadline for nominations is October 1, 2012.
AAR Invites Nominations for the Religion and the Arts Award

The award in Religion and the Arts is presented annually to an artist, performer, critic, curator, or scholar who has made significant contributions to the understanding of the relations among the arts and religions, both for the Academy and for a broader public.

Nominations are accepted from AAR members, though nominees need not be AAR members. Nominations must include a supporting letter, a biography of the nominee, a list of all work, an additional statement of 500 words or less on the contribution of the nominee’s work to the field of Religion and the Arts, and, if the nominee is a writer or publisher, a sample of the work nominated (books, catalogs, etc.). Please, no self-nominations. To be considered for the 2013 award, nominations must be made by **February 1, 2013** (the 2012 award deadline has already passed).

Send nominations to Brent Plate, Department of Religious Studies, 198 College Hill Road, Clinton, NY 13323, USA. All information should be sent to  This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it  .

Awards for Excellence in the Study of Religion

In order to give recognition to new scholarly publications that make significant contributions to the study of religion, the AAR grants awards in four categories: Analytical-Descriptive, Constructive-Reflective, Historical, and Textual.

For more information about our Awards, [click here](#). The deadline for submissions is **March 20, 2013**.
Best 1st Book in the History of Religions

The AAR History of Religions Jury invites nominations for Best First Book in the History of Religions Award. Eligible books for this award must meet the following criteria:

- The nomination must be the first book published by the nominee.
- It must be in the field of "History of Religions" (in the broad sense that it raises historical and/or comparative methodological questions in the field of religion).
- It must have been published within the calendar year of 2011.
- The nominated book must be written by a single author.

The deadline to submit a book along with a nomination is January 10, 2012. For more information, click here.

Individual and Collaborative Research Grants

Did you know that you could receive up to $5,000 in application assistance? August 1st deadline. For more information, see www.aarweb.org/programs/grants.

International Dissertation Research Grants
Applications for the 2012–2013 International Dissertation Research Grants cycle will be accepted until December 1, 2012. These annual grants, designed to support AAR student members whose dissertation research requires them to travel ... costs of travel, lodging, and other dissertation research-related expenses. For information and to apply, please click here.

Regional Development Grants

Have you considered applying for a 2012–2013 Regional Development Grant? Regional Development Grants provide funds for projects that can be duplicated or transported to other regions. Where possible, projects are designed so that they may be duplicated or transported to other regions. Applications should include a narrative description of the project detailing how the project promises to benefit the ... and other expenses). Institutional overhead costs should not be included in this budget. No grant will exceed $4,000. Successful grants from prior years can be found here.

Deadlines:

September 1, 2012 – Grant proposals due to Regional Directors
September 15, 2012 – Regional Directors forward grants to Regions Committee
October 15, 2012 – Regional grant awards announced