

LITERARY AWARDS CONTEST OCTOBER 2021 CONNECTICUT SOCIETY OF GENEALOGISTS, INC.

Entry Rules

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THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL LITERARY AWARDS CONTEST

Grand Prize of \$500 is awarded to the overall best publication

Two First Prizes of \$250 each may be awarded for the best in each of the remaining two categories

Categories: “Genealogy & Family History,” “Genealogical Resource,” and “DNA & Technology.”

1. The Contest opens March 1, 2021 and Entries must be received in CSG’s Office by July 15, 2021.
2. Entry Categories are:
 - a. Genealogy & Family History: Begins with someone in the past and moves forward in time through his/her descendants or begins with a contemporary person (living or deceased) and covers his/her ancestors, usually in one or more direct lines.
 - b. Genealogical Resource: Might include cemetery abstracts, compilations, court records, specialized vital records data, etc.)
 - c. DNA & Technology (new this year): Covers topics in DNA and other technology advancements related to or assisting in genealogical research.
3. Entries must have been published after 2016 and have some relevance to Connecticut and/or New England.
4. An Entry Fee of \$20 and TWO copies of the publication must be submitted with each Entry Form. One copy will be added to the CSG Library and the other usually donated to the Connecticut State Library. On the Entry Form, the author may designate one copy to be donated elsewhere or be returned instead.
5. Entry is open to anyone except CSG staff, the current/sitting CSG Board of Governors and their immediate families. Membership in CSG or Connecticut residency is NOT required to enter.
6. Submit completed Entry Form to CSG at the mailing address above.
7. Photocopies of the Entry Form are welcomed.

Entries will be evaluated on a variety of criteria including, but not limited to the following: relevance of title, format (logical, readable, interesting arrangement); sentence structure; grammar; and presentation (spelling counts and typographical errors are noted). All entries should include title page, table of contents, index (Name & Place where applicable), and page numbers. Where applicable, evaluation will also be based on the following: overall presentation, numbering system (was it easy to follow); quality of references; bibliography; and narrative. Books should be bound (both hardcover and softcover are accepted. Spiral-bound accepted).

CDs are acceptable entries; however, all non-paper entries must have a fully searchable and easy-to-follow names index with page numbers. A searchable place index is also encouraged. All entries will be retained in our library and available for research. The second copy, unless specifically requested to be returned to the entrant, will be offered to the CT State Library. Content on CD entries must be in a commonly used format. PDF is preferred.

**Winning entries will be formally announced at CSG’s Annual Family History Seminar in October.
Winners will be notified by September 1, 2021. See page 18 for entry form.**

