



Harlan Joel Gradin Award for Excellence in the Public Humanities

About the Award:

The Harlan Joel Gradin Award for Excellence in the Public Humanities was inaugurated in 2011 to honor public humanities projects and people in North Carolina that have made a deep impact in local communities through collaborative and innovative ways. The award was named for former North Carolina Humanities staff member, Harlan Joel Gradin, who served from 1991-2011 and worked to connect communities with humanities scholarship throughout North Carolina.

Recipients:

- 2011 — “Standing on a Box: Lewis Hine’s National Child Labor Committee Photography in Gaston County, 1908” from Gaston County Public Library
- 2012 — “Workboats of Core Sound and Raising the Story of Menhaden Fishing” from Core the Sound Waterfowl Museum and Heritage Center
- 2013 — Kevin Duffus, Road Scholar
- 2014 — “Twilight of a Neighborhood: Asheville’s East End, 1970” from Asheville-Buncombe County Library
- 2015 — “Saving and Making History in Chapel Hill: The Struggle Continues” from the Marian Cheek Jackson Center for Saving and Making History
- 2016 — “Virtual MLK” from North Carolina State University
- 2017 — “Preserving Our Heritage” from St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church
- 2018 — “Jane Austen Summer Program Symposium” from the Jane Austen Summer Program
- 2019 — “Cyber Citizens Series” from I AM Not The MEdia
- 2020 — “Swords to Plowshares Memorial Belltower Centennial Tour” from Veterans for Peace, Chapter 157

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