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an announce 2015 juried competition for the

CLIFFORD GEERTZ PRIZE
IN THE ANTHROPOLOGY OF RELIGION

The Geertz Prize seeks to encourage excellence in the anthropology of religion by recognizing an outstanding recent book in the field. The Prize is named in honor of the late Professor Clifford Geertz, in recognition of his many distinguished contributions to the anthropological study of religion. In awarding the Prize, the Society hopes to foster innovative scholarship, the integration of theory with ethnography, and the connection of the anthropology of religion to the larger world.

Eligibility

Any single-authored or co-authored book focusing on the anthropology of religion, broadly defined, is eligible for the Prize. Edited volumes, textbooks, and reference works are not eligible, nor are works in which religion is a secondary subject. The book’s author need not be an anthropologist by profession, but the work should draw on and respond to research and theory within the anthropology of religion. Books must have a publication date of 2013 or later. Books that have already been reviewed for the Prize will not be reconsidered. Books may be entered into the competition by authors, book editors, or colleagues. No formal letter of nomination is needed.

The Prize will be awarded at the American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting in November, 2015.

Submission guidelines

To receive additional information on how to submit a book for consideration, please send a flyer or an abstract about the book to jhill@siu.edu. Deadline for submission of books is

March 31, 2015.

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