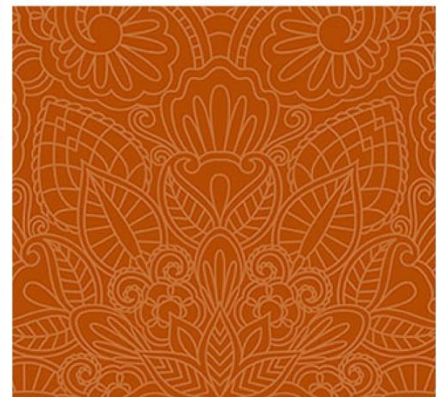
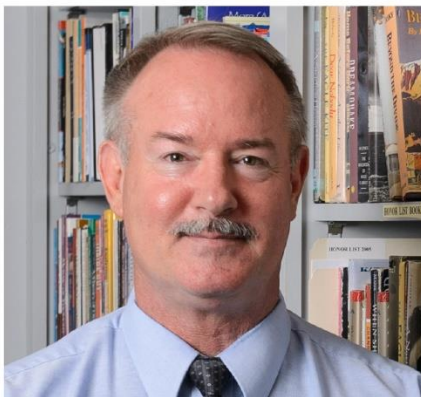
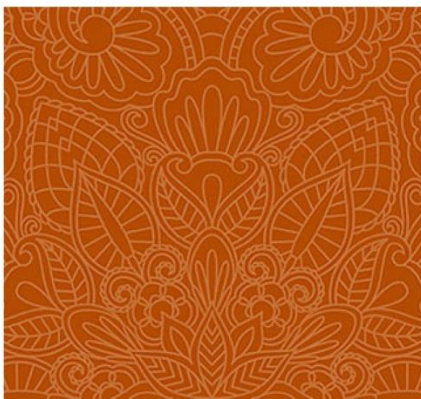


# 2017 Arizona Humanities Awards

## Sponsorship Information



**Friday, February 24, 2017**

**5:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**New City PHX - 1300 N. Central Avenue - Phoenix, AZ 85004**

## Mission

Arizona Humanities builds a just and civil society by creating opportunities to explore our shared human experiences through discussion, learning and reflection.

## About

Each year, the Arizona Humanities Awards honors individuals, organizations, and businesses for their outstanding contributions to the advancement of the humanities in Arizona. The three prizes presented are the **Public Humanities Scholar Award**, **Friend of the Humanities Award** and the **Humanities Rising Star Award**.

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Hosted refreshments and entertainment  
Tickets: \$40 per person

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## Humanities Rising Star Award

This award recognizes a young professional, student, or volunteer with outstanding and creative approaches to engaging the public with the humanities. Considerations will focus on scholarship in the humanities, service to the humanities, the enhancement of public understanding of the humanities and other humanities-related endeavors.

### **Nancy Liliana Godoy-Powell**

*Archivist and Librarian of the Chicano/a Research Collection at Arizona State University*

Nancy Liliana Godoy-Powell is the Archivist and Librarian of the Chicano/a Research Collection at Arizona State University. She's responsible for collection development, archival arrangement-description, community outreach - exhibits, and instruction-specialized reference services. Godoy-Powell, a native of Yuma, comes from a farm worker background and is committed to engaging, educating, and empowering her communities. She received her B.A. in History at Northern Arizona University and M.A. in Library Science at University of Arizona. As a Knowledge River alumna, she's a passionate advocate for underserved communities in libraries and archives, more specifically the Latino community. In 2015, Godoy-Powell also helped co-establish the Arizona LGBT History Project, an initiative to preserve local history and make archival material accessible to future generations.



**Humanities Rising Star Nominees:** Megan LaRose, Katherine Standefer

## Public Humanities Scholar Award

This award recognizes a distinguished humanities scholar who has enhanced public understanding of the role that the humanities play in transforming lives and strengthening communities.

### **James Blasingame**

*Professor, Department of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Arizona State University*

As a professor at Arizona State University, Jim Blasingame focuses on young adult literature, Indigenous curriculum, censorship, secondary reading and writing pedagogy, preparing pre-service teachers, and cowboy poetry. He also works with the ASU chapter of the US State Department's International Leaders in Education Partnership, for which he helps visiting teachers from around the world to create professional development modules to use with teachers in their home countries. Dr. Blasingame is the executive director of the Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of the National Council of Teachers of English, and has served as its president and co-editor of *The ALAN Review*, a journal devoted entirely to young adult literature. He is an assistant to Simon Ortiz on the RED INK Indigenous Initiative for All: Collaboration and Creativity at Work.



He has also published over 100 interviews with poets and authors of young adult literature and over 200 book reviews in *VOYA*, *Journal of Adolescent and Adult Literacy*, *The ALAN Review* and *English Journal*. Dr. Blasingame works with Dr. Alleen Pace Nilsen and Dr. Don Nilsen to create the annual Honor List of young adult literature for *English Journal*. His articles on young adult literature and censorship have appeared in the *Washington Post* online, and his coauthored (with Dr. Sybil Durand) piece on censorship, entitled "Do No Harm," won the 2016 *ALAN Review* Editors Award "for excellence in writing and contribution to the field."



Dr. Blasingame was the 2014 ASU Doctoral Mentor of the Year, and the 2008 ASU Parents' Association Professor of the Year. He was the 2008 International Reading Association Arbutnot Award winner for outstanding professor of children's and young adult literature. 2014 ASU Doctoral Mentor of the Year. He has given presentations performing cowboy poetry at the National Council of Teachers of English convention, the International Reading Association, the Western States Conference on Rhetoric and Composition, and the Graz University International Summer School at Seggau Castle in Austria. Before coming to ASU in 2000, Dr. Blasingame spent twenty-four years in secondary education as a high school teacher and principal.

**Humanities Public Scholar Nominees:** Albrecht Classen, Betsy Fahlman, Alison King, Melanie Sturgeon, Michelle Tellez

## Friend of the Humanities Award

This award recognizes individuals, organizations and/or businesses that have made a lasting contribution to the cultural life of their communities through their active support of and involvement in promoting the humanities.

### Barbara Hatch

*Founder and Program Director, Veterans Heritage Project*

Barbara Hatch, Veterans Heritage Project (VHP) Founder and Program Director, is a retired high school history teacher with 40 years of experience, a B.A. in English and Education, and a M.A. in History. Hatch began bringing veterans into her classroom in 1998, established the after-school oral history program as a club in 2004, and worked with parents to expand the program into other schools by transitioning VHP into a 501(c)3 non-profit in 2009. Hatch volunteers full-time to organize student participation in hundreds of community service events statewide; speaks on behalf of VHP at educational conferences and to civic groups; provides Teacher Advisor training and guidance to 25 Arizona chapters; works with chapters to publish five regional editions of the Since You Asked volume; and provides training to volunteer veteran speakers for the lecture series.



For her role in developing the VHP curriculum, Hatch has been recognized as the 2011 recipient of the Daughter's of the American Revolution Founders Medal for Education; 2012 Arizona History Teacher of the Year; 2015 Wilbur Murra Lifetime Achievement Award recipient from the Arizona Council for the Social Studies; and a 2016 Hon Kachina Volunteer Award winner.

**Friend of the Humanities Nominees:** Bullion Plaza Cultural Center and Museum (Thomas Foster), Lisa Falk, Susan French, Andrea Houchard, Latino Familia Initiative, Morning Star Leaders (Debbie Manuel), Karen O'Keefe, Opera Guild of Southern Arizona, Marge Pellegrino, Sedona Public Library, University of Arizona Humanities Seminar Program

## Awards History

### Public Humanities Scholar Award Recipients

2015 – Alberto Álvaro Ríos	2002 – Elizabeth Larson-Keagy, Ph.D.
2015 – Dr. Paul Espinosa	2001 – Neal A. Lester, Ph.D.
2014 – Dr. David William Foster	2000 – Patricia Preciado Martin
2013 – Dr. Gloria H. Cuádriz	1999 – Peter Iverson, Ph.D.
2012 – Nancy Dallet, Ph.D.	1998 – L. Chris Smith, Ph.D.
2012 – Elena Diaz Bjorkquist	1996 – Joann Kealiinohomoku, Ph.D.
2010 – Celestino Fernández, Ph.D.	1995 – Christine Marin, Ph.D.
2009 – Charles Tatum, Ph.D.	1994 – Jay Cravath, Ph.D.
2007 – Karen J. Leong, Ph.D.	1993 – Robert Trennert, Ph.D.
2006 – Laura Tohe, Ph.D.	1992 – James Griffith, Ph.D.
2005 – Matthew Whitaker, Ph.D.	1991 – Mary L. Rothschild, Ph.D.
2004 – Mary Melcher, Ph.D.,	1990 – James Byrkit, Ph.D.
2003 – Judy Nolte Temple, Ph.D.,	

### Friend of the Humanities Award Recipients

2015 – Dr. Michael Vincent	2004 – Noel Stowe, Ph.D.
2014 – Project Humanities, Arizona State University	2003 – KAET-TV, Channel 8
2013 – Gail Browne	2002 – Salt River Project
2013 – Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation	2001 – Arizona State Library, Archives & Public Records
2012 – Arizona Town Hall	2000 – The Arizona Republic and Jack W. Whiteman (posthumous award)
2010 – William Fry, Ph.D.	1999 – Arizona State Representative Carolyn Allen and United States Congressman Jim Kolbe
2009 – Winifred Bundy, Singing Wind Bookshop	1998 – Elsa Paine Mulher
2007 – Changing Hands Bookstore	
2006 – Arizona Office of Tourism	
2005 – James R. Carruthers, Ed.D.	

### Humanities Rising Star Award Recipients

2015 – Rivka Rocchio	2013 – Myrlin Hepworth
2014 – Tyler Wayne Vertrees	2013 – Jaclyn Roessel

### Distinguished Organizations

*In prior years, Arizona Humanities recognized community organizations that had demonstrated outstanding commitment to lifelong learning through their enduring relationship with Arizona Humanities. The following organizations were so honored:*

2007 – Pima County Library	1998 – Scottsdale Cultural Council
2006 – Phoenix Burton Barr Central Library	1996 – Bisbee Mining & Historical Museum
2005 – Museum Association of Arizona	1995 – Arizona State Museum
2004 – Sharlot Hall Museum, Prescott	1994 – The Heard Museum
2003 – Hassayampa Institute for Creative Writing at Yavapai College	1993 – Yuma County Library District
2002 – Center for Desert Archaeology, Tucson	1992 – Mohave Museum of History and Arts
2001 – Historic Sahuaro Ranch Foundation, Glendale	1991 – Casa Grande Valley Historical Society Museum
2000 – Parker Public Library	1990 – Glendale Public Library, Apache Junction Public Library (co-recipients)
1999 – Arizona Historical Society, Southern Arizona Division	