

THE FORREST C. POGUE AWARD

As part of its continuing efforts to recognize and promote high standards in the field of oral history, OHMAR created an annual award for outstanding and continuing contributions to oral history. The award honors Forrest C. Pogue, who pioneered oral history in combat during World War II and who served as an early president of the Oral History Association. A list of recipients follows:

1979	Forrest C. Pogue	Smithsonian Institution
1980	Betsy McKeever Key	Maryland Historical Society
1981	Bernis M. Frank	Marine Corps Historical Program
1982	Martha Ross	University of Maryland
1983	John T. Mason	United States Naval Institute
1984	Donald A. Ritchie	United States Senate Historical Office
1985	Alice Hoffman	Pennsylvania State University
1986	Louise Hutchinson	Anacostia Neighborhood Museum
1987	Federal Theatre Project	George Mason University
1988	Michael Frisch	SUNY at Buffalo
1989	Barry Lannan	Millford Mill (Md.) High School
1990	John S. Schuchman	Gallaudet University
1991	Elinor Des Verney Sinnette	Howard University
1992	Linda Shopes	PA Historical and Museum Comm.
1993	Ronald J. Grele	Columbia University
1994	John Kwo Wei Tchen	Queens College, New York
1995	Pamela M. Henson	Smithsonian Institution
1996	Spencer R. Crew	Smithsonian Institution

SPENCER R. CREW

Spencer R. Crew currently serves as director of the Smithsonian institution's National Museum of American History. During his fifteen years at NMAH, he has curated numerous exhibitions, most notably the acclaimed "Field to Factory: Afro-American Migration, 1915-1940," which presents the pre-World War II movement of African Americans from the South to northern industrial cities. In developing this exhibition, Crew drew upon archival collections of oral history interviews and also conducted dozens of interviews himself. He is the author of two books, *Black Life in Secondary Cities: Camden and Elizabeth, New Jersey, 1860-1920* (1993) and *Field to Factory, Afro-American Migration, 1915-1940* (1987), as well as numerous articles and reviews.

His professional activities include membership on the boards of trustees of the American Association of Museums, Brown University, National Council for History Education, and National History Day. He served as program cochair of the Oral History Association's 1988 annual meeting and was a member of the OHMAR executive board from 1987 to 1990. A graduate of Brown University, Crew received his Ph.D. from Rutgers University.

ABOUT OHMAR

Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region (OHMAR) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion and improvement of oral history. It responds to the needs of those practicing or merely interested in oral history in the Mid-Atlantic region. OHMAR provides a forum for sharing information about the techniques and application of oral history, promoting standards of quality among practitioners, and assisting those interested in learning about the subject. It seeks to bring together public and academic historians, librarians, archivists, teachers, folklorists, curators, independent researchers, and others sharing an interest in oral history.

OHMAR, established in 1976, is a major regional source for informed and sensitive advice and assistance on the practice of oral history. OHMAR sponsors two meetings a year that feature panels, workshop sessions, and speakers on topics relevant to the practice and profession. Its newsletter reports on oral history activities and projects in the Mid-Atlantic region as well as national and international oral history news. Each year, OHMAR presents its Forrest C. Pogue award to an individual or organization that has made significant contributions to the field of oral history.

OHMAR is an affiliate of the Oral History Association (OHA), a national organization interested in maintaining ties with state and regional oral history groups throughout the United States. An OHMAR representative serves on OHA's State and Regional Committee. OHMAR's newsletter regularly features information on OHA's annual meeting, publications, and other items of interest to OHMAR members.

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