

PREVIOUS WINNERS

1980

Literature	Ellen Douglas
Music	Luigi Zaninelli
Art	Ed McGowin

1981

Literature	Walker Percy
Music	James S. Sclater
Art	Ray Parrish

1982

Literature	Ellen Gilchrist
Music	William Grant Still (posthumously)
Art	Valerie Jaudon

1983

Literature	Ellen Douglas
Music	Patrick Houlihan
Art	George Wardlaw

1984

Literature	Rebecca Hill
Music	Patrick Houlihan
Art	James L. Seawright, Jr.

1985

Literature	Ellen Gilchrist
Music	Luigi Zaninelli
Art	William Dunlap

1986

Literature	John Stone
Music	Samuel Jones
Art	Kenneth W. Marlow
Photography	Robert Townsend Jones, Jr.
Special Writing Award	Dorothy Abbott

1987

Literature	Richard Ford
Music	David Caudill
Visual Art	Ke Francis
Photography	Birney Imes, III

1988

Literature	Walker Percy
Music	Milton Babbitt

Visual Art	Zarah Maranian
Photography	Maude Schuyler Clay
Lifetime Achievement	Eudora Welty

1989

Literature	Larry Brown
Music	Paul Overstreet
Visual Art	Mildred Nungester Wolfe
Photography	Rita Dewitt
Lifetime Achievement	Walter Anderson (posthumously)

1990

Literature	Rick Bass
Music	James S. Sclater
Visual Art	Randy Hayes
Photography	William Eggleston
Special Achievement	William Ferris Charles Reagan Wilson

1991

Literature	Ellen Gilchrist
Music	Samuel Jones
Visual Art	Birney Imes, III

1992

Fiction	Lewis Nordan
Nonfiction	Michael B. Ballard
Visual Art	Ron Dale
Photography	Maude Schuyler Clay
Music	Luigi Zaninelli
Career Achievement in the Performing Arts	Jane Reid Petty

1993

Fiction	Donna Tartt
Nonfiction	Chalmers Archer Clifton Taulbert
Visual Art	Jere H. Allen
Photography	Allen Frame

1994

Fiction	Barry Hannah
Nonfiction	Willie Morris
Visual Art	Greely Myatt
Photography	Tom Rankin
Music	Douglas McConnell

1995

Fiction	Beverly Lowry
Nonfiction	Mary Garrard
Visual Art	Sylvain Klaus
Photography	Birney Imes, III
Music	James S. Sclater
Lifetime Achievement	Franke and Bern Keating
Citation of Merit	ETV and Public Radio in Mississippi

1996

Fiction	Lewis Nordan
Nonfiction	David Herbert Donald
Visual Art	Charles Carraway
Photography	Milly Moorhead
Music	Laurence M. Oden
Lifetime Achievement	Lee and Pup McCarty

1997

Fiction	Cynthia Shearer
Nonfiction	Stephen Ambrose
Visual Art	Valerie Jaudon
Photography	Marion Brown
Music	Mark Howell
Poetry	Paul Ruffin

1998

Fiction	Wylene Dunbar
Nonfiction	Will D. Campbell
Visual Art	William Dunlap
Photography	Hubert F. Worley, Jr.
Music	Luigi Zaninelli
Poetry	Angela Ball
Special Achievement	Marion Barnwell

1999

Fiction	Ellen Douglas
Nonfiction	Patti Carr Black
Visual Art	Jean Cappadonna-Nichols
Photography	Lucinda Devlin
Music	James Sclater
Poetry	John Stone

2000

Fiction	Steve Yarbrough
Nonfiction	Edward Cohen
Visual Art	Paula Temple
Photography	Maude Schuyler Clay

Music	Luigi Zaninelli
Poetry	D.C. Berry
Lifetime Achievement	Leontyne Price
Citation of Merit	University Press of Mississippi

2001

Fiction	Howard Bahr
Nonfiction	Jeff Durstewitz and Ruth Williams
Visual Art	Collier B. Parker
Photography	Eudora Welty
Poetry	Natasha Trethewey

2002

Fiction	Barry Hannah
Nonfiction	Bobby DeLaughter
Visual Art	Sheila Stott Gurlay
Photography	John D. Lawrence
Music	Michael Kimber
Poetry	Brooks Haxton

2003

Fiction	Brad Watson
Nonfiction	Minor Ferris Buchanan
Visual Arts	Gwendolyn Magee
Photography	Jack Kotz
Music	Samuel Jones
	James Sclater
Poetry	Natasha Trethewey
Lifetime Achievement	Mimi Garrard and James Seawright

2004

Fiction	Tom Franklin
Nonfiction	Christopher Maurer
Visual Arts	Wyatt Waters
Music	Logan Skelton
Poetry	Ann Fisher-Wirth
Lifetime Achievement	Shelby Foote

2005

Fiction	Margaret McMullan
Nonfiction	Timothy B. Smith
Visual Arts	Sam Gilliam
Photography	Gretchen Haien
Music	Justin Sharp
Poetry	Brooks Haxton

2006

Fiction	Tom Bailey
Nonfiction	Suzanne Marrs
Visual Arts	Thomas Nawrocki
Photography	Robyn Moore
Music	Andrew Owen

2007

Fiction	Richard Ford
Nonfiction	Jere Nash and Andy Taggart
Music	Samuel Jones
Photography	Debra Ferguson
Poetry	Natasha Trethewey
Visual Arts	William Dunlap
Lifetime Achievement	Morgan Freeman and Myrna Colley-Lee

2008

Fiction	Margaret McMullan
Music	Albert Oppenheimer
Nonfiction	Joseph Crespino
Photography	Talbot Easton Selby
Poetry	Angela Ball
Visual Arts	Carlyle Wolfe
Lifetime Achievement	Ellen Douglas

2009

Fiction	Howard Bahr
Music (Classical)	Steve Rouse
Music (Contemporary)	3 Doors Down
Nonfiction	Douglas A. Blackmon
Photography	Jane Rule Burdine
Poetry	Brooks Haxton
Visual Arts	H. C. (Chris) Porter
Lifetime Achievement	Marshall Bouldin III Elizabeth Spencer

2010

Fiction	Frederick Barthelme
Music (Classical)	Shandy Phillips
Music (Contemporary)	Caroline Herring
Nonfiction	Charles W. Eagles
Photography	Michael Loyd Young
Poetry	D. C. Berry
Visual Arts	Charles Crossley
Special Achievement	<i>The Passions of Walter Anderson</i> , a creative collaboration.
Lifetime Achievement	William Ferris

2011

Fiction	Brad Watson
Music (Classical)	Samuel Jones
	James Sclater
Music (Contemporary)	Eden Brent
Nonfiction	Natasha Trethewey
Photography	Oraien Catledge
Poetry	Ava Leavell Haymon
Visual Arts	Rolland Golden
Lifetime Achievement	Mary D. Garrard

2012

Fiction	Michael Kardos
Music (Classical)	Shandy Phillips
Music (Contemporary)	Kate Campbell
Nonfiction	Susan Haltom
Photography	Betty Press
Poetry	T. R. Hummer
Visual Arts	Rod Moorhead
Lifetime Achievement	Andrew Bucci Samuel Gore

2013

Fiction	Richard Ford
Music (Classical)	Steve Rouse
Music (Popular)	Caroline Herring
Nonfiction	Joseph Crespino
Photography	David Wharton
Poetry	Catherine Pierce
Visual Arts	Lee Renninger
Lifetime Achievement	Patti Carr Black

2014

Fiction	Steve Yarbrough
Music (Classical)	Quincy C. Hilliard
Music (Contemporary)	Claire Holley
Nonfiction	Jesmyn Ward
Photography	Milly West
Poetry	Derrick Harriell
Visual Arts	J J Foley
Lifetime Achievement	William Beckwith

2015

Fiction	Elizabeth Spencer
Music (Classical)	Crafton Beck
Music (Contemporary)	Water Liars
Nonfiction	Dennis J. Mitchell
Photography	Maude Schuyler Clay
Poetry	Timothy Earley
Visual Arts	Brandon Moon
Lifetime Achievement	Sammy Britt