

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
CITATION OF MERIT

Franke and Bern Keating
ETV and Public Radio
in Mississippi

1996

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ART
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Lewis Nordan
 David Herbert Donald
 Charles Carraway
 Milly Moorhead
 Laurence M. Oden
 Lee and Pup McCarty

1997

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ART
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC
 POETRY

Cynthia Shearer
 Stephen Ambrose
 Valerie Jaudon
 Marion Brown
 Mark Howell
 Paul Ruffin

1998

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ART
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC
 POETRY
 SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

Wylene Dunbar
 Will D. Campbell
 William Dunlap
 Hubert F. Worley, Jr.
 Luigi Zaninelli
 Angela Ball
 Marion Barnwell

1999

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ART
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC
 POETRY

Ellen Douglas
 Patti Carr Black
 Jean Cappadonna-Nichols
 Lucinda Devlin
 James Sclater
 John Stone

2000

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ART
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC
 POETRY
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT
 CITATION OF MERIT

Steve Yarbrough
 Edward Cohen
 Paula Temple
 Maude Schuyler Clay
 Luigi Zaninelli
 D.C. Berry
 Leontyne Price
 University Press of
 Mississippi

2001

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ART
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 POETRY

Howard Bahr
 Jeff Durstewitz and
 Ruth Williams
 Collier B. Parker
 Eudora Welty
 Natasha Trethewey

2002

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ART
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC
 POETRY

Barry Hannah
 Bobby DeLaughter
 Sheila Stott Gourlay
 John D. Lawrence
 Michael Kimber
 Brooks Haxton

2003

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ARTS
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC
 POETRY
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Brad Watson
 Minor Ferris Buchanan
 Gwendolyn Magee
 Jack Kotz
 Samuel Jones
 James Sclater
 Natasha Trethewey
 Mimi Garrard and
 James Seawright

2004

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ARTS
 MUSIC
 POETRY
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Tom Franklin
 Christopher Maurer
 Wyatt Waters
 Logan Skelton
 Ann Fisher-Wirth
 Shelby Foote

2005

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ARTS
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC
 POETRY

Margaret McMullan
 Timothy B. Smith
 Sam Gilliam
 Gretchen Haien
 Justin Sharp
 Brooks Haxton

2006

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 VISUAL ARTS
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 MUSIC

Tom Bailey
 Suzanne Marrs
 Thomas Nawrocki
 Robyn Moore
 Andrew Owen

2007

FICTION
 NONFICTION
 MUSIC
 PHOTOGRAPHY
 POETRY
 VISUAL ARTS
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Richard Ford
 Jere Nash and
 Andy Taggart
 Samuel Jones
 Debra Ferguson
 Natasha Trethewey
 William Dunlap
 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 *The Passions of Walter Anderson*, a creative collaboration.
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT William Ferris

2011

FICTION Brad Watson
 MUSIC (CLASSICAL) Samuel Jones
 MUSIC (CONTEMPORARY) James Sclater
 NONFICTION Eden Brent
 PHOTOGRAPHY Natasha Trethewey
 POETRY Oraien Catledge
 VISUAL ARTS Ava Leavell Haymon
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT Rolland Golden
 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

2016

FICTION Taylor Kitchings
 MUSIC (CLASSICAL) Samuel Jones
 MUSIC (CONTEMPORARY) Mac McAnally
 NONFICTION Joseph T. Reiff
 PHOTOGRAPHY Maude Schuyler Clay
 POETRY R. Flowers Rivera
 VISUAL ARTS Martha Ferris
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT William Baggett
 Ron Dale

2017

FICTION Rick Bass
 MUSIC (CLASSICAL) James S. Sclater
 MUSIC (CONTEMPORARY) Fish Michie and Kristian Dambrino
 NONFICTION Jason Morgan Ward
 PHOTOGRAPHY David Wharton
 POETRY Catherine Pierce
 VISUAL ARTS Carlyle Wolfe
 CITATION OF MERIT *Thacker Mountain Radio*
 SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT Nan Sanders
 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT Jere Allen
 Samuel Jones

2018

FICTION Michael Knight
MUSIC (CLASSICAL) James S. Sclater
MUSIC (CONTEMPORARY) Shannon McNally
NONFICTION John T. Edge
PHOTOGRAPHY Jack Spencer
POETRY Molly McCully Brown
VISUAL ARTS Charlie Buckley
SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT *The Mississippi Encyclopedia*
LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT Robert Ivy
Andrew Cary Young

2019

FICTION Tiffany Quay Tyson
NONFICTION Julian Rankin
MUSIC (CLASSICAL) Steve Rouse
MUSIC (CONTEMPORARY) John Milham
PHOTOGRAPHY Rory Doyle
POETRY Aimee Nezhukumatathil
VISUAL ARTS Coulter Fussell
CITATION OF MERIT Square Books
LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT John Ruskey