

**The Mississippi Historical Society
invites nominations for
The John K. Betterworth Award**

The John K. Betterworth Award is presented annually to an outstanding teacher of middle school or high school history in Mississippi. The award winner receives a \$300 cash award, is invited to attend the annual meeting of the Mississippi Historical Society as the Society's guest, and is provided a complimentary one-year membership in the Society.

The award memorializes John K. Betterworth, the distinguished historian and author who served as professor and administrator at Mississippi State University for almost forty years. Dr. Betterworth also served as president of the Mississippi Historical Society and as a longtime member of the board of trustees of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History.

To enter

Nomination forms are attached. One of the forms should be filled out by the individual nominating a teacher; the other is to be completed by the teacher being nominated. Teachers may nominate themselves by completing the second form. Six copies of the nomination packet (including completed forms and supporting materials) should be mailed to the Betterworth Award Committee, Mississippi Historical Society, P. O. Box 571, Jackson, MS 39205-0571. Phone: (601) 576-6545. **The deadline for nominations is December 1.**

Note

Nominations submitted but not selected for the prize will be reconsidered for two additional years. Nominees may submit additional materials each year.

**MISSISSIPPI HISTORICAL SOCIETY
JOHN K. BETTERSWORTH
TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Deadline date: December 1,

Requirement: Teacher must teach history in a Mississippi school, grades 7-12.

This page should be completed by the individual nominating a teacher for the award; the nominee should complete the second page of this application and supply all requested supporting materials.

This nomination has been submitted by (check one)

teacher administrator student parent

I hereby nominate _____ for the John K. Bettersworth Award.

My name _____ Position _____

Phone _____ E-mail address _____

Mailing address _____

In the space below, briefly state why you wish to nominate _____
for the John K. Bettersworth Award. (Please note that nominees must also supply three
additional supporting statements from persons familiar with their teaching.)

Please give the second page of this packet to the person whom you have nominated for this award. He or she is responsible for completing the form and for providing all requested supporting materials.

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Nominee's Name _____

School _____

School address _____

School phone _____ Home phone _____ E-Mail _____

Home address _____

Please supply the following information in the space provided.

College(s) and Degree(s) _____

Major(s) _____

Other Studies (if applicable) _____

Certification area(s) _____

Schools in which you have taught _____

Subjects taught _____

Years of experience _____ Do you sponsor a chapter of the Junior Historical Society of Mississippi? _____ Have your students participated in the National History Day program? _____

Please supply the following information:

- 1) Professional and community memberships, services, honors (one typed, double-spaced page)
- 2) Essay: What are your goals as a history teacher? What makes you an outstanding history teacher? How is your classroom special? (Two-page limit, typed, double-spaced)
- 3) Supporting statements from three persons familiar with your work as a teacher. (Each should be limited to one page, typed, double-spaced.)

Send six copies of your nomination packet to the Betterworth Award Committee, Mississippi Historical Society, P. O. Box 571, Jackson, MS 39205-0571. The physical address is the William F. Winter Archives and History Building, 200 North Street, Jackson, MS 39201.

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