

WALLACE K. FERGUSON PRIZE

The Canadian Historical Association is pleased to announce its 2026 Wallace K. Ferguson Prize competition. The Wallace K. Ferguson prize is awarded annually for the book judged in the given year to be the outstanding historical study in a field other than Canadian history written by a historian working in Canada or a Canadian permanent resident or Canadian citizen outside of Canada. The winner is chosen from among works published in 2025 (or, if not already submitted, in 2024), in English or in French, and submitted to the prize jury. The award, first presented at the CHA Annual Meeting in 1980, comes with a cash prize of \$1,000.

Publishers wishing to submit books (including e-books) should send one copy of each entry to each of the jury members by 31 December 2025. Please contact the CHA office (cha-shc@cha-shc.ca) to obtain the mailing addresses of the jury members. We recommend that publishers submit all the eligible titles they have published. Publishers may only submit books written by Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or historians working in Canada. The authors concerned are encouraged to check with their publishers to ensure their work has been submitted. Memoirs, diaries, textbooks, edited collections of essays, translations, or books of documents are not eligible for consideration. A book can only be submitted to the Ferguson OR the Scholarly Prize; not both.

As a rule of thumb, books containing less than 50% Canadian content should be submitted to the Ferguson prize, while those with 50% or more should be submitted to the Canadian Historical Association prize for best scholarly book in Canadian history.

The prize will be awarded at the annual meeting of the Canadian Historical Association in Charlottetown in June 2026.

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