Waugh Family Foundation CBHA/ACHA Prize

Waugh Family Foundation CBHA/ACHA Prize (WFFP) – 2027 Book Prize (Theme 3)

The Canadian Business History Association, Canada's leading organization for the study of business in Canada, invites submissions for its **annual $10,000 Waugh Prize.**

The 2027 prize recognizes the Best Book in Canadian Business History (broadly defined). The prize committee encourages the submission of books from all methodological perspectives. It is particularly interested in innovative studies that have the potential to expand the boundaries of the discipline. Scholars, publishers, and other interested parties may submit nominations. Eligible books can have either a Canadian or an international business history focus, but must include a significant Canadian perspective. They must be written in English or French and be published during the two years prior to the award (2025, 2026).

The prize is administered by the Executive officers of the CBHA/ACHA.

Eligibility

All scholarly works dedicated to the history of business in Canada are admissible, subject to the following limitations:

- The book must bear the copyright imprint of the pertinent calendar years (2025, 2026).
- Joint authorship is permissible provided the product is a unified book (monograph).
- Diaries, textbooks, edited collections of essays, translations of books originally written in French or English, and books of documents are not eligible.

Criteria of Selection

- The significance and originality of the work.
- The quality of the research.
- The book's argument.
- The style and organization.
- The salience of the work to the broader historiography of business history in Canada.

Submission of Works

- **The deadline for submission of eligible books is February 26, 2027.**
- **Four** copies of a book must accompany a nomination and be submitted to the CBHA/ACHA Prize Coordinator, Joanne Archibald, Executive Director of the CBHA. To request the mailing

address for submissions, please email ed@cbha.ca. **The deadline for nominations is February 26, 2027.** If you would like to submit any books for consideration, please do so by that date.

Additional Information

- The CBHA/ACHA manages the prize and may announce it at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Historical Association (June) or earlier.
- Winners will be publicly recognized through press releases, CBHA/ACHA communications, and other appropriate channels.

About the Prize

The **Waugh Family Foundation** awards an annual $10,000 prize through the **Canadian Business History Association / Association canadienne d'histoire des affaires (CBHA/ACHA)**, funded by a $250,000 endowment. The prize rotates on a three-year cycle:

- **Theme 1 – Career Achievement Prize** (recognizing exceptional contributions to Canadian business history)
- **Theme 2 – Public Engagement Prize** (highlighting outstanding public-facing projects in Canadian business history)
- **Theme 3 – Book Prize** (best book in Canadian business history)

About the CBHA/ACHA: Created in 2015, the CBHA/ACHA brings together academics from a wide range of disciplines, archivists and business leaders in the common pursuit of advancing the study and understanding of business history in Canada. Learn more about the CBHA/ACHA at our website, **cbha.ca**