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## The Newsletter for the Texas Oral History Association

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December 2016

This special edition newsletter contains information about upcoming events and conference deadlines.

### Newsletter Updates

We have some exciting changes coming to our newsletter next year—but in order for it to be great, we need your help! Please send news of your events, programs, projects, and photos to [toha@baylor.edu](mailto:toha@baylor.edu) to be featured in upcoming issues. Here are a few examples:

**Individual members:** What projects are you working on? Does your project have a website? Did you present at a conference? Did you have a book regarding your work published? Did you just receive a new job or promotion? Let us know so we can celebrate your accomplishments!

**Educators:** If you are teaching an oral history class or workshop in the spring, be sure to take a photo of your class hard at work and let us know what projects your students are working on.

**Students:** Are you working on an oral history project or taking an oral history class? Are you presenting at a conference on your work with oral history? Send us a photo showing your school spirit along with a brief caption.

**Institutions:** If you are an institutional member, send us a brief write-up of your program along with a photo and link to your webpage or social media account.

Our quarterly newsletter will be sent mid-month in January, April, July, and October with “special editions” sent in between as needed. Therefore, please submit your news by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each of these months. If you would like to announce your conference, program, or event, please submit the information in accordance to the newsletter schedule. For example, if your event is March 15, 2017, the information about it would need to be submitted by January 1 to be placed in the January newsletter.

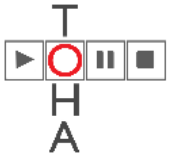
### Membership

**It's that time again!** Time to renew your TOHA membership! Secure your subscription to upcoming volumes of *Sound Historian* today by making sure your membership is continued for 2017. The cost for membership is \$15 for individuals, \$30 for institutions, and \$5 for students. If you would like to make a donation to TOHA along with your membership, you can donate whatever amount you wish. You may also elect to be a sponsor, which is \$30 for individuals and \$100 for institutions. Sponsor members will receive recognition in our journal. Funds from sponsor memberships help support *Sound Historian*.

Please fill out the attached 2017 Membership Form and mail it in along with payment to:

**Texas Oral History Association**  
**Baylor University**  
**1 Bear Place #97271**  
**Waco, TX 76798-7271**

If you have questions about your current membership status, please feel free to call Adrienne Cain at (254) 710-6285 or send an email to [toha@baylor.edu](mailto:toha@baylor.edu).



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## Sound Historian

*Sound Historian* vol. 18 is almost ready for print! Be on the lookout for your copy in early 2017. Although we have just recently completed this volume, we are already gearing up for the next. Submissions are accepted at any time! Manuscripts for submission in *Sound Historian* should be 15-20 pages, double-spaced throughout, including quotations, footnotes, and works cited. In matters of style, refer to *Chicago Manual of Style*, 16th Edition. Submit the original manuscript in a Microsoft Word version as an e-mail attachment and send it to Dan K. Utley, editor, at [dkutley@txstate.edu](mailto:dkutley@txstate.edu). The editor and editorial board will review your manuscript and determine its eligibility for publication or its need for additional work. Once the article is accepted for publication, the editor will provide instructions for electronic submission of the revised manuscript.

## Conference Info

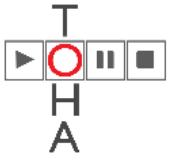
We are working hard to prepare an exciting and engaging conference for you this spring! Our Sixth Annual Conference will be held Saturday, March 25, 2017, at the National Ranching Heritage Center on the campus of Texas Tech University. The Call for Papers is attached and we will be accepting proposals until **January 27, 2017**. Please forward to friends and colleagues in your department who you feel may be interested.

## Awards

The **Mary Faye Barnes Award for Excellence in Community Oral History Award** recognizes oral history projects exemplifying distinguished preservation of community history. For the purposes of this award, community history is broadly defined to include the history of a village, town, or urban neighborhood, but also to include the history of a business, school, hospital, social organization, religious organization, or other public or private institution.

To be eligible for the award:

- The project displayed innovative applications of oral history research or utilized standard oral history practice successfully to preserve the story of its community, to enhance understanding among community members, or to bring to light previously undocumented aspects of the community's history.
- The project produced oral history recordings and possibly transcripts and provided for their preservation and availability for research in an appropriate archive or library.
- The project followed the ethical and legal guidelines of the national Oral History Association, including provision for interview agreement forms or donation forms.
- The project is a model for the use of oral history in community settings.
- The project includes an educational component and/or plans to share the outcomes with the community.



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Project developers and leaders may submit their projects to TOHA for consideration, and nominations may be accepted from community members. TOHA members and local historical associations are encouraged to submit nominations. Nominees are not required to be members of TOHA. To nominate a project, complete the [Community History Award Nomination Form](#) on TOHA's website and return it with the required attachments to TOHA headquarters by **February 1**.

The **W. Stewart Caffey Award for Excellence for Pre-Collegiate Teaching** recognizes an elementary or secondary classroom teacher who leads students in a research project involving oral history methods in an exemplary way.

To be eligible for the award:

- The teacher has successfully implemented oral history methodologies in the classroom and/or used oral history in print or documentary format to enhance learning.
- The teacher's work is a model for the use of oral history in educational settings.
- The project reflects use of appropriate standards for oral history interviewing, including provisions for preserving recordings and transcripts.
- The project includes outreach to the community.

Teachers may submit their projects to TOHA for consideration, and nominations may be accepted from school administrators, students, colleagues, or community members. TOHA members are encouraged to submit nominations. Teachers are not required to be members of TOHA. To nominate a teacher for the TOHA award, complete the [Teaching Award Nomination Form](#) and return it with the required attachments to TOHA headquarters by **February 1**.

**The Board would like to wish all members a happy holiday season! We hope the season brings you the chance to share stories with friends and loved ones.**

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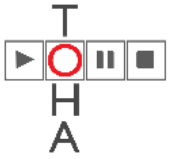
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## Calendar of Upcoming Events



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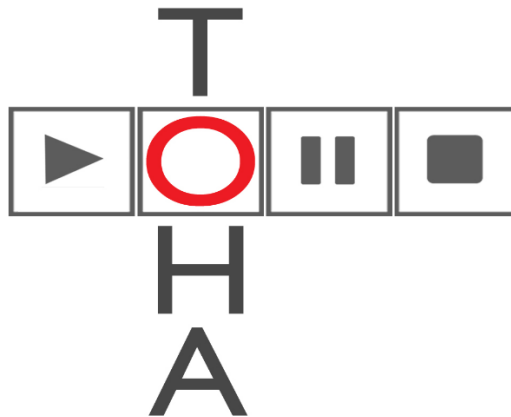
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Event	Date and Location	What you need to know...
Community Oral History Grant deadline (Baylor University Institute for Oral History)	January 20, 2017	Grant funds are available for oral history projects in Texas. To apply, go to the <b>Grants</b> tab at <a href="http://www.baylor.edu/oralhistory">www.baylor.edu/oralhistory</a> .
<b>Community Oral History and Excellence in Teaching Award Nominations due</b>	February 1, 2017	For more information and to access nomination forms, please visit TOHA's Award Page at <a href="http://www.baylor.edu/toha">www.baylor.edu/toha</a>
BUIOH – "Getting Started with Oral History" eWorkshop	February 8 and 15, 2017 Online workshop	Look for registration details soon on their website <a href="http://www.baylor.edu/oralhistory">www.baylor.edu/oralhistory</a> .
Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting	March 2-4, 2017 Hyatt Regency Hotel Houston, TX	The <b>TOHA-TSHA joint session</b> , "Using Oral History to Document Rural Dispersed Communities", will be held on Friday, March 3, at 10:30 a.m. For more details and registration, please visit <a href="https://www.tshasecurepay.com/annual-meeting">https://www.tshasecurepay.com/annual-meeting</a> .
<b>TOHA's Sixth Annual Conference</b>	<b>Saturday, March 25, 2017</b> National Ranching Heritage Center, Texas Tech University	Deadline to submit your proposal is <b>January 27, 2017</b> . Please submit to <a href="mailto:pbeisel@sfa.edu">pbeisel@sfa.edu</a> .
Southwestern Oral History Association	April 27-29, 2017 Tempe, AZ	Our oral history neighbors to the west have shared their conference information with us. If you are interested in attending, visit their website at <a href="http://www.southwestoralhistory.org">http://www.southwestoralhistory.org</a> .
Central Texas Historical Association Inaugural Annual Conference	April 28-29, 2017 Blinn College Brenham, TX	The CTHA inaugural conference will be held at Blinn College. Call for papers ends January 1. For more information visit <a href="http://www.centexhistassn.org/annual-conference">www.centexhistassn.org/annual-conference</a> .
Oral History Association Annual Conference - "Engaging Audiences : Oral History and the Public"	October 4-8, 2017 Hilton Minneapolis Hotel Minneapolis, MN	The 51 <sup>st</sup> annual meeting will be held in Minneapolis, MN, this year. The deadline for submissions is January 31, 2017. For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.oralhistory.org">http://www.oralhistory.org</a> .

Want to see your events listed here? Send information about your conference, program, or event to [toha@baylor.edu](mailto:toha@baylor.edu).

For more news and updates visit [www.baylor.edu/toha](http://www.baylor.edu/toha) or follow TOHA on [Facebook](#).

# Texas Oral History Association



**JOIN TODAY!**

**Membership is \$15 per year; \$5 per year for students, and only \$30 for institutions!**

TOHA is a network of oral history practitioners and enthusiasts that promotes the use of professional interviewing and archiving standards.

Membership in TOHA puts individuals and institutions in touch with colleagues who share common interests and concerns for professional oral history practice. Perks of membership include:

- A year of membership (Jan.-Dec.) in a **professional organization** at a rate that cannot be beat! (Looks great on resumes and CVs!)
- **Annual subscription to *Sound Historian***, the official journal of TOHA
- **Newsletters** reporting the activities and projects of members, upcoming conferences, publications of interests, and current trends in the use of oral history methods
- **Admission to our annual conference**, which showcases individuals and institutions whose research reflects the use of oral history methodology in a variety of topics relating to Texas history
- Opportunity to submit proposals and **present at a professional conference**
- The **annual directory** to connect you with other oral historians across the state

Explore our site, [www.baylor.edu/toha](http://www.baylor.edu/toha), to discover who we are and what we do. We invite you to join us in our adventure to better understand both the present and the past through recording the voices of eyewitnesses to history. TOHA, an affiliate of the **Oral History Association**, is hosted by **Baylor Institute for Oral History**.

Please save, print, complete, and return this form with your payment to:

## Texas Oral History Association

Baylor University ❖ 1 Bear Place Unit 97271 ❖ Waco, Texas 76798-7271

Membership includes news updates throughout the year and the annual *Sound Historian: Journal of the Texas Oral History Association*.

**The TOHA membership year begins each January 1.**

# 2017 Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

***My directory information remains the same as last year with the following exceptions:***

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4 \_\_\_\_\_

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Organizational Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject specialization/Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY/JOURNAL ORDER	AMOUNT ENCLOSED
<i>If you are joining for multiple years, please indicate number of years: _____</i>	
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Donation for support of <i>Sound Historian</i>	_____
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED: <i>Thanks for your support!</i></b>	<b>_____</b>

### Student Eligibility Confirmation:

By my signature I confirm that \_\_\_\_\_ is a student and I am a teacher or professor at  
(Student's Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of School, College, University) (City, State)

Teacher's/Professor's Name (Please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's/Professor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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Check here to indicate you prefer to receive these communications by postal mail.



## **Texas Oral History Association Call for Papers**

**Sixth Annual Conference, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Texas Tech University  
Lubbock, Texas**

The Texas Oral History Association (TOHA), founded in 1983, promotes the use and good practices of oral history research through a variety of programs and publications, including the journal *Sound Historian*. Comprised of individuals representing diverse interests and disciplines, the professional organization will host its sixth annual conference on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at the National Ranching Heritage Center on the campus of Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas.

Scholars, educators, students, history enthusiasts, folklorists, family historians, and others are encouraged to submit proposals for papers or sessions to be considered for the program. Topics should include clear evidence of oral history research or provide new insights on the methodology.

Both complete session and individual paper proposals are welcome. Individual presentations must not exceed twenty minutes, and the session format will include opening remarks by a chair, followed by three papers, or by two papers and concluding remarks from a commentator.

Proposals should include the names, affiliations, and contact information of participants, the titles of sessions and papers, and a brief description of the topics to be covered. Please submit your proposals via email by **January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.

Direct all submittals and inquiries to Perky Beisel at [pbeisel@sfasu.edu](mailto:pbeisel@sfasu.edu).

Thank you and we look forward to your submissions!

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