

# 2009 Award Winners

## **Special Projects**

### **Award of Merit**

Lincoln – Douglas Time Capsule Exhibit  
Ottawa Scouting Museum, Ottawa

### **Superior Achievement Award**

Memories of the Chicago Great Western Railway:  
An Aerial View Across Jo Daviess County, Illinois  
Elizabeth Historical Society, Elizabeth

Americans Who Tell the Truth  
Geneva History Center, Geneva

The Amazing Chase Lagoon Mystery  
Glencoe Historical Society, Glencoe

## **Competitive Awards**

### **Lifetime Professional Achievement**

Leone Schmidt  
Nominated by Warrenville Historical Society, Warrenville

### **Volunteer of the Year**

Diana Kenney  
Crystal Lake Historical Society, Crystal Lake

Charles “Chuck” Bednar  
Ernest Hemingway Foundation of Oak Park, Oak Park

### **Legislator of the Year**

Honorable Chuck Jefferson

Illinois House of Representatives  
Ethnic Heritage Museum, Rockford

**Honorable David Koehler**

Illinois State Senate  
Lakeview Museum of Arts & Sciences, Peoria

**Small Institution of the Year**

Colonel Gustavus A. Palmer House  
Crystal Lake Park District  
and Crystal Lake Historical Society, Crystal Lake

**Anniversary Awards**

Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield, Platinum Anniversary  
Polish Museum of America, Chicago, Platinum Anniversary  
Sterling-Rock Falls Historical Society, Sterling, Gold Anniversary

**Non-Competitive Awards**

**Educational Programming**

**Award of Excellence**

Super Saturdays  
Illinois State Museum, Springfield

**Superior Achievement Award**

Sycamore History Project  
“Fourth Grade Oral History Project”  
Sycamore History Museum, Sycamore

**Exhibits**

**Award of Merit**

Rube Ehrhardt  
Beecher Community Historical Society, Beecher

Elmhurst Jazz: A Celebration of an

American Art Form in Elmhurst  
Elmhurst Historical Museum, Elmhurst

Burnham's Backyard Exhibition  
Glencoe Historical Society, Glencoe

Belief Made Tangible  
Northern Illinois University Art Museum, DeKalb

Mr. Lincoln's Friends in White County  
White County Historical Society, Norris City

**Award of Excellence**

Arranged Truth: Dressing for the Photographer  
Aurora Historical Society, Aurora

Hole In One: The Lore and Lure of Golf  
Lake Forest – Lake Bluff Historical Society, Lake Forest

Moonlight Cocktails Are the Thing  
Northern Illinois University Art Museum, DeKalb

Sycamore, Illinois: The Journey of One Town, the Stories of Many  
Sycamore Historical Society & Museum, Sycamore

**Superior Achievement Award**

From Humble Beginnings: Lincoln's Illinois 1830 – 1861  
Illinois State Museum, Springfield

Animal Houses  
Morton Arboretum, Lisle

Parties, Pleasures and Postcards:  
The Bachelorhood of Henry Schuette Jr.

Schuetten-Biermann Farmhouse Museum, Elk Grove Village

**Popular Publications**

**Award of Merit**

Picasso \* Matisse \* Chagall

Lakeview Museum of Arts & Sciences, Peoria

Land of Color and Enchantment: The Southwestern Art

Collection of Charles and Jeanette Gilchrist White

Lakeview Museum of Arts & Sciences, Peoria