



Tom Watson Brown Book Award Call for Submissions

The Society of Civil War Historians solicits nominations for the Tom Watson Brown Book Award for **books published in 2026**. Publishers are asked to send books, along with a cover letter nominating the work for the Tom Watson Brown Award, directly to the four prize jurors no later than **January 31, 2027**. Only books published in 2026 will be considered.

All genres of scholarship on the causes, conduct, and effects, broadly defined, of the Civil War are eligible. This includes, but is not exclusive to, monographs, synthetic works presenting original interpretations, and biographies. Edited collections, works of fiction, poetry, and textbooks, however, will not be considered. Jurors will consider nominated works' scholarly and literary merit as well as the extent to which they make original contributions to our understanding of the period.

Yael Sternhell, Professor of History and American Studies at Tel Aviv University, will chair the prize jury. The other members are **Thomas Brown**, Professor of History at the University of South Carolina, and **R. Isabela Morales**, author and public historian. **Tad Brown**, President of the Watson-Brown Foundation, Inc., will serve as a non-voting member of the jury.

The winner will be announced by August 1, 2027. The prize will be presented at the SCWH banquet at the Southern Historical Association annual meeting, where the winner will deliver a formal address that may be published in a subsequent issue of the *Journal of the Civil War Era*.

Nominated books with cover letters should be sent to:

- **Tad Brown**, President, Watson-Brown Foundation, Inc., 310 Tom Watson Way, Thomson, GA 30824
- **Yael Sternhell**, Department of History, Tel Aviv University, P.O. Box 39040, Tel Aviv 6997801, Israel
- **Thomas Brown**, Department of History, Gambrell Hall, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208.
- **R. Isabela Morales**, 60 Eldridge Ave., Lawrence Township, NJ 08648

The deadline for submissions is January 31, 2027.