



2026 Members' Choice Award

Sponsored by *Tejano Genealogy Society of Austin (TGSA)*

Self-published Works

Self-published authors---\$500.00 book prize for the best non-fiction scholarly written work on Tejano history, heritage, or genealogy. The book or journal must have been published between **April 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026**. One copy must be submitted to the Tejano Genealogy Society of Austin (TGSA). Deadline for submissions is **June 15, 2026**.

Award to winner:

- \$500 check
- Recipient will be recognized at the annual Texas State Genealogical and Historical Conference 2026
- One-night stay at the conference hotel plus 2 banquet tickets
- Book-signing session sponsored by TGSA at the 2026 Conference

Self-published books and journals must meet the following criteria:

1. Available to the general public
2. Focus on Tejano history, heritage, and genealogy
3. Work is archival collection, historical and non-fiction
4. Written work is clear, interesting, and well organized
5. Print on paper is attractive, legible, and accessible
6. Illustrations and graphics apply to content of written work
7. Written work is useful to reader
8. Written work is enjoyable to read

Members' Choice Award Past Winners:

2025 –Dr. Alonzo Cavazos, Editor - *The Rio Grande Valley Hispanic Genealogical Society Journal* ,2024 Vol XIV

2024 – Juan Tejada – *Mi Carnal*, Frank Mariano Tejada

2023 – Mauricio Gonzalez, *The Navarro Family of San Ignacio, Texas*

2022 – No winner designated

2021 – Art Martinez de Vara, *San Antonio Marriages, 1708-1846: Matrimony in Colonial, Mexican and Republican Texas*

2020 – Bruce Moses (posthumous) and David Nickels, *Roads to the Battle of Medina: A Search for the Lost Battlefield of Texas*

Please send entry form and one copy of the self-published book/journal by June 15, 2026, to:

TGSA

Melva G. Codina

177 Grapevine Ct. Austin, TX 78737

vleygur145@outlook.com

TGSA Website: www.TGSAustin.org

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

2026 Members' Choice Award

Please include only one title per entry form.

Type of work: (book, journal) _____

Date published _____

Title: _____

Author: _____

Publisher:

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Author:

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Check the TGSA website TGSAustin.org for information on date and place for this year's conference.

Please send entry form and one copy of the self-published book/journal by June 15, 2026, to:

TGSA

Melva G. Codina

177 Grapevine Ct. Austin, TX

78737