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* The Mary R. Haas Award: call for submissions

The Haas Award is presented, usually annually, to a junior scholar for an unpublished manuscript (often, but not necessarily, the author's dissertation) that makes a significant contribution to our knowledge of the indigenous languages of the Western Hemisphere. Manuscripts must be of monograph length and reflect substantial empirical research. Typically, these are descriptive and issueoriented grammars or historical and typological studies, but there are no restrictions on subject-matter other than a requirement that the primary focus be on one or more indigenous American languages.

The award carries no stipend, but the selected manuscript will be recommended for publication.

To submit a manuscript for the Haas Award, send one PDF copy on CD to the chair of the selection committee:

David S. Rood (rood@colorado.edu) Linguistics University of Colorado 295 UCB Boulder, Colorado 80309-0295

The CD should be received no later than September 15; please verify that a readable copy was received.

All questions should be directed to David Rood (see above).

In addition to Professor Rood, the members of the 2006 Haas Award committee are Andrew Garrett, Sergio Meira, and Anthony Woodbury.

* Travel assistance for the Anaheim meeting

SSILA has accumulated, through earmarked donations, a small fund to assist members in need of financial assistance for travel to the annual meeting. Four awards of approximately \$200 each will be available for participants in the Anaheim meeting in January 2007.

A letter of application for such assistance should be submitted by e-mail to the Travel Award Committee, and must reach the Committee no later than October 1. Letters should be addressed to Stephen Marlett, the Chair of the Committee, at:

steve_marlett@sil.org

Applications will be reviewed in early October, as soon as the meeting program has been announced. Awards will be made only to persons whose abstract has been accepted, and notification will be made no later than the end of October. Unless special arrangements are made, the award will be in the form of a check that will be given to the recipient upon arrival at the meeting.

Awards will be made on the basis of financial need, which should be explained in a succinct paragraph. In addition, priority will be given to those who:

(a) do not have a university or other institutional affiliation, (b) have not received this assistance previously from SSILA,

- (c) are native speakers of indigenous languages, and
- (d) are the sole author of a paper or poster, or the joint author of a paper or poster whose co-author(s) will not be in attendance.

Applicants should mention each of these points in their letter, although they only affect prioritization, not eligibility.

As a courtesy to all involved, in the event that an awardee is unable to attend the meetings, early notification should be given so that the award may be passed to someone else.

In addition to Dr. Marlett, the 2006 Travel Award Committee includes Juliette Blevins and Harriet Klein.

240.1 E-Mail Address Updates

The following additions or changes have been made to the SSILA e-mail list since the last Bulletin:

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SSILA welcomes applications for membership from anyone interested in the scholarly study of the languages of the native peoples of North, Central, and South America. Dues for 2006 are \$16 (US) or \$20 (Canadian) and may be paid in advance for 2007 and 2008 at the 2006 rate. Checks or money orders should be made payable to "SSILA" and sent to: SSILA, P.O. Box 555, Arcata, CA 95518. For further information, visit the SSILA website (http://www.ssila.org).