

Wyoming State Historical Society
Julia Yelvington Adams Book Publication Fund
Process and Procedures for Submission

How a Decision is made:

Once a year Author(s)/Editor(s) who have written a book dealing with a Wyoming historical subject (that is non-fiction, a biography or reference history book, but not a novel, fiction, or historical fiction,) and would like the Wyoming State Historical Society (WSHS) to consider it for publication, will submit electronically a copy of their completed manuscript.

The date for receipt of these completed manuscripts is December 1st of each year. To be considered, the manuscript should be completed, laid out with photos and/or graphics in place and printer-ready for printing. This is required so that the WSHS Publications Committee can judge the book on its content, presentation, number of pages, how much it will cost to print, and its sales potential.

For the Society to continue helping Author(s)/Editors(s) of Wyoming's history get their books into print, submissions must be marketable with sales potential so that the Society's investment can be returned to the fund to assist others. If the Committee ascertains that the book has limited selling potential, no matter how interesting and well-written, the committee will pass on publishing, and/or take a recommendation to the Executive Committee for official action. Because several printers will be contacted for printing cost estimates, it is required that the submitted manuscript be complete.

After its review the Author(s)/Editor(s) will be contacted by the WSHS Publications Committee with its decision. If changes are necessary before publication, they will be discussed with the Author(s)/Editor(s). The WSHS Publications Committee will determine the selling price of the book and the numbers of copies to be printed. When all of this has been determined, the Society will sign a Contract with the Author(s)/Editor(s) for the publication of his/her work.

If your application is not successful, the Author(s)/Editor(s) are welcome to submit it in another year.