

Department of African and African American Studies Prize Winners 2009

Kathryn Ann Huggins Prize

For the most outstanding thesis relating to African American life, history, or culture

Eligibility: All Thesis Writers in Harvard College

Sarah Lockridge-Steckel

Concentration: Sociology

Thesis Title: Cultural Concerns: The Deleterious Impact of Cool Pose

Daniel Rasmussen

Concentration: History and Literature

Thesis Title: Violent Visions: Slaves, Sugar and the 1811 German Coast Uprising

Dorothy Hicks Lee Prize

For the most outstanding thesis concerning African or African American literature

Eligibility: All Thesis Writers in Harvard College.

Wesley Oliver

Concentration: English

Thesis Title: The Triumph of Failed Authority in Fictions of J. M. Coetzee

Philippe Wamba Prize

Honors the best senior thesis in African Studies

Eligibility: All Concentrators.

Lauren Yapp

Concentration: History

Thesis Title: Reconstructing Sophiatown: Personal Memory, Public Narrative, and the Production of History in South Africa, 1940-2009

Cornel West Prize

Thesis on African American topic in addition to academic performance

Eligibility: African and African American Studies Concentrators.

Ariel Sloan

Concentration: African and African American Studies

Alain Locke Prize

Most outstanding academic scholar

Eligibility: African American Studies Concentrator.

Karma Frierson

Concentration: African and African American Studies and Anthropology

Ephraim Isaac Prize for Excellence in African Studies

Exceptional capability in African Languages.

Eligibility: Harvard College Senior.

Kedamai Fisseha

Concentration: Economics and African and African American Studies

Jonathan M. Levin Prize for Teaching and Social Justice

Eligibility: All Harvard College seniors pursuing careers as public school teachers.

Valonda Harris

Concentration: African and African American Studies

William Plummer French Prize

Best personal library focusing on some aspect of African or African American culture and history.

Eligibility: All concentrators regardless of class rank.

Karma Frierson

Concentration: African and African American Studies and Anthropology

Andrew Ramroop Prize

To honor an undergraduate in the Department of African and African American Studies who best exemplifies the values of the Department.

Eligibility: Senior Concentrator in African and African American Studies.

Emily Owens

Concentration: Studies of Women, Gender and Sexuality and African and African American Studies