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ATHENS, Ga. – John C. Inscoe, the Albert W. Saye Professor and University Professor of History at the University of Georgia, has received awards for two separate books, both of which were published by the University of Georgia Press in association with the Georgia Humanities Council.

Inscoe received the Georgia Historical Society's 2012 Malcolm Bell, Jr., and Muriel Barrow Bell Award for the best book on Georgia history for *Writing the South through the Self: Explorations in Southern Autobiography*. Drawing on two decades of teaching a college-level course on southern history as viewed through autobiography and memoir, Inscoe explores the southern experience as reflected in the life stories of those who lived it. The Society announced the award at the 173rd Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 17, 2012, in Savannah.

"The Georgia Historical Society is very pleased to recognize this outstanding book," said Dr. W. Todd Groce, President and CEO of the Georgia Historical Society. "The University of Georgia Press has a stellar reputation as a publisher of history. Along with author John Inscoe and co-publisher the Georgia Humanities Council, UGA Press is to be commended for yet again producing top-flight scholarship that engages the public in exploring our state's and region's past."

"The Press's longstanding relationship with the Georgia Humanities Council has always yielded important projects that benefit teachers, students and citizens of the state and beyond. We are honored to receive the Bell Award along with the Council for John Inscoe's latest contribution to Georgia letters," said Lisa Bayer, Director of UGA Press.



Accepting the Malcolm Bell, Jr. and Muriel Barrow Bell Award for *Writing the South Through the Self* were UGA Press executive editor Nancy Grayson, on behalf of the Georgia Humanities Council, UGA Press director Lisa Bayer, and UGA professor and author John Inscoe. The award was presented by Georgia Historical Society president and CEO Dr. W. Todd Groce (second from left).

The American Association for State and Local History recognized *The Civil War in Georgia: A New Georgia Encyclopedia Companion* with the national Leadership in History Award of Merit presented for excellence in history programs and projects. Inscoe selected articles from the New Georgia Encyclopedia, of which he is general editor, for use in *The Civil War in Georgia*. Inscoe will receive his award on Oct. 5 at the 67th AASLH Annual Meeting in Salt Lake City. This book was also published in association with the University System of Georgia/GALILEO.

“We are so pleased that *The Civil War in Georgia* has received this national recognition from AASLH. We are grateful to John Inscoe and the New Georgia Encyclopedia staff for their excellent work as they continue to establish new models for digital and traditional publishing,” said Jamil Zainaldin, President of the Georgia Humanities Council.

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