

Press Release

African Studies Review 2024 Awardees

The **ASR Best Africa-focused Anthology or Edited Collection Prize**, sponsored by Cambridge University Press, recognizes editors and contributors to an anthology of original scholarship, cohesive in structure and interdisciplinary in nature, that advances African studies in new theoretical and/or methodological directions. The award recognizes the editor(s) and also the contributors as a whole. In making its selection the prize committee will pay particular attention to significance, originality, and quality of writing, and its contribution to advancing debates in African studies.

The winner of this year's award is Oyèrónké Oyewùmí and Hewan Girma, *Naming Africans: On the Epistemic Value of Names* (Springer Nature, 2023).

The committee also selected one title for honorable mention:

Bonny Ibhawoh, Jasper Abembia Ayelazuno, and Sylvia Bawa, *Truth Commissions and State Building* (McGill-Queen's Press, 2023).

The **ASR Best Africa-based Doctoral Dissertation Award** recognizes an Africa-based doctoral student who has successfully defended their dissertation/doctoral thesis on any aspect of African studies at an African institution of higher education during the previous calendar year.

The winner of this year's award is "Beyond #NotTooYoungToRun: Party Candidacy, Political Representation and Legislative Effectiveness of Young Politicians in Nigeria's Fourth Republic," by Ọmómáyòwá Ọláfálé Àbàtì in *Comparative Politics* at Stellenbosch University.

The committee also selected one dissertation for honorable mention:

"Sustaining the Unsustainable? Political Accountability and Development in Sub-Saharan Africa's Resource Economies," by Xichavo Alecia Ndlovu in *International Relations* at the University of the Witwatersrand.

Best ASR Article Published in 2023 Prize

The winner of this year's award is Humphrey Asamoah Agyekum, "We Are not into Politics, but Politics Is into Us": The Politicization of the Ghana Armed Forces Through Patronage Exchanges between Political Elites and Military Leaders." *ASR* 66.4 (December 2023): 967-987. <https://doi.org/10.1017/asr.2023.28>

The committee also selected one article for honorable mention:

Emeka Thaddues Njoku and Isaac Dery, "Gendering Counter-Terrorism: *Kunya* and the Silencing of Male Victims of CRSV in Northeastern Nigeria." *ASR* 66.4 (December 2023): 949-966. <https://doi.org/10.1017/asr.2023.27>