

## **Derek Hayes wins inaugural Basil Stuart-Stubbs Book Prize for B.C. atlas**

B.C. author Derek Hayes is the recipient of the inaugural Basil Stuart-Stubbs Prize for Outstanding Scholarly Book on British Columbia, a new award from UBC Library and the Pacific BookWorld News Society.

Hayes was chosen for his 2012 book, *British Columbia: A New Historical Atlas* (Douglas & McIntyre). The book mixes comprehensive text and annotations with a wide range of maps, photos, prints and drawings that takes us into the world of British Columbia, from pre-contact through the 20th century. Hayes's work is a welcome contribution to the understanding of British Columbia.

The prize, worth \$1,000, will be awarded at a reception on May 7, 2013 at UBC's Irving K. Barber Learning Centre.

"I am honoured to have been chosen as the first recipient of the new Basil Stuart-Stubbs Prize," says Hayes, who holds a master's degree in Geography from UBC. "I have had Stuart-Stubbs's monumental work (with Coolie Verner) *The Northpart of America* on my bookshelf for many years, and it was one of the initial books that piqued my interest in maps of the Pacific Northwest."

"Congratulations to Derek Hayes for winning the inaugural Basil Stuart-Stubbs Book Prize," says Ingrid Parent, UBC's University Librarian. "His fascinating atlas is a worthy winner and an excellent addition to scholarly works on British Columbia."

Hayes's book was among three shortlisted titles for the Basil Stuart-Stubbs Prize. The other titles included *Journey with No Maps: A Life of P.K. Page* by Sandra Djwa (McGill-Queen's University Press) and *Father August Brabant: Saviour or Scourge?* by Jim McDowell (Ronsdale Press). For the full citations on the books, please visit [Shortlist 2013](#).

"The excellence of the many books submitted for consideration made it difficult for the jury to select a shortlist and then the prize winner," says Roderick Barman, a member of the adjudication committee and a retired

UBC history professor. “Since the Basil Stuart-Stubbs Prize is intended to recognize both a scholarly work on British Columbia and a book that will make the province come alive for readers outside of British Columbia, the jury concluded that Derek Hayes’s *British Columbia: A New Historical Atlas* best meets those criteria.”

*British Columbia: A New Historical Atlas* was also awarded the 2012 Lieutenant Governor’s Medal for Historical Writing from the British Columbia Historical Federation. It is a finalist for the Bill Duthie Booksellers’ Choice Award and the Roderick Haig-Brown Regional Prize on behalf of the 2013 B.C. Book Prizes.