

2024 Wayne W. Daniel Award in Country Music Research Music & Popular Culture Collection, Georgia State University Library

Georgia State University Library Special Collections and Archives is pleased to announce that it will award a Wayne Daniel research award of **\$500-\$1,000** to a faculty member, graduate student, and/or independent researcher to support research use of the [Wayne Daniel collection and related country music collections](#) housed in the archives.

Dr. Wayne W. Daniel (1929-2021), Professor Emeritus, Decision Sciences, Georgia State University, maintained concurrently a long-time avocational interest in country music. He was instrumental in the development of the country music collections within the Music & Popular Culture Collection at Georgia State University. He authored more than two-hundred articles on country music, bluegrass music, and Southern gospel music in such publications as *Bluegrass Unlimited*, *Journal of Country Music*, and *The Devil's Box*, his definitive book on the history of country music in Atlanta, *Pickin' On Peachtree* (Urbana and Chicago: University of Illinois Press), was published in 1990 and reprinted in paperback in 2000. This award is named in his honor with the goal of furthering research in country music. The Music and Popular Collection contains many primary resources relating to country music in Atlanta in its heyday. For information on the Wayne Daniel collection and related collections, visit our [ArchivesSpace page](#). Prospective applicants may discuss their research project and the collections that might support it with the Music & Popular Culture Archivist before submitting an application.

Faculty, graduate students, and independent researchers are encouraged to apply.

To be considered for the 2024 Wayne Daniel Award in Country Music Research, applicants should submit:

- An application (see application form below)
- A statement of intent explaining proposed research, including scholarly significance and relevance to archival holdings. (250 words or less)
- A résumé or vita no longer than three pages
- Commit to schedule their research visit for the 2024-2025 cycle (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025).
- Agree to submit a brief research report (1-2 pages) on your findings and experiences.
- Have plans to use the research in a thesis, dissertation, presentation, publication, or other scholarly work and be willing to include a copy in Special Collections and Archives. Research will receive strong consideration for an International Country Music Conference session presentation or publication in the *International Country Music Journal*.

All application materials are due by end of **March 15, 2024** to archives@gsu.edu with the email subject line: 2024 Wayne Daniel Research Award. Please contact us at archives@gsu.edu or 404-413-2880 with any questions.

Important Dates

- **February 1, 2024:** Application period opens.
- **March 15, 2024:** All application materials are due.
- **April 30, 2024:** Successful applicants are notified by email.
- **July 1, 2024:** Award cycle begins.
- **August 31, 2025:** Deadline for submitting research report.

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2024 WAYNE W. DANIEL AWARD APPLICATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ Email _____

Status (Faculty, Graduate Student, Scholar, etc.) _____

Working Title of Proposed Research: _____

Proposed Research: Attach a statement (*maximum 250 words*), explaining your proposed research. Describe its relevance to the holdings of the country music collections and its scholarly significance.

Expenses: List expenses related to your research for which you are requesting support:

Name, affiliation, and telephone number of two references:

Résumé: Please attach a version of your résumé or vita no longer than three pages.

I agree to submit a research report on my findings and experience. I understand that I will receive the award amount after delivering this report.

SIGNATURE

DATE