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Stephanie McCurry, associate professor of history at the University of California, San Diego, has received three major awards for her recent book, Masters of Small Worlds: Yeoman Households, Gender Relations, and the Political Culture of the Antebellum South Carolina Low Country (Oxford University Press, 1995).

McCurry received the John Hope Franklin Publication Prize from the American Studies Association in Washington, D.C., for the best book published on American studies during 1995. She won the prize in competition with more than 100 books from every field ranging from art history to biography.

She also received the Charles S. Sydnor Award from the Southern Historical Association based at the University of Georgia for a distinguished book in southern history, and the best book award from the South Carolina Historical Society.

One of eight United States historians on the permanent faculty at UCSD, McCurry also was nominated to receive a Pulitzer Prize in history for Masters of Small Worlds. The book has been selected for inclusion in the History Book Club listing.

In addition to her research and academic activities, McCurry is co-chair of the Chancellor's Advisory Committee on the Status of Women at UCSD. She is the new director of the California History--Social Science Project. The project is administered through UCSD Extension and facilitates interaction between UC faculty and K-12 teachers in the public schools.

McCurry received her bachelor's degree in history and literature from the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario, Canada; her master's degree in American history from the University of Rochester in New York, and her doctorate in American history from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

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