

## Call for Editor-in-Chief of Thomas Say Publications

The Entomological Society of America is seeking candidates to serve in the position of **editor-in-chief of Thomas Say Publications**. The selected candidate would begin his or her term in January 2020.

Thomas Say Publications is a peer-reviewed line of books that publishes Monographs (systematic works), Proceedings, and Memoirs (books whose topics do not fit the Monographs or Proceedings). Recent Thomas Say Publications include *The Cicadas (Hemiptera: Cicadoidea: Cicadidae) of North America North of Mexico Second Edition*; *Pegs, Pouches, and Spines: Systematics and Comparative Morphology of the New World Litter Bug Genus Chinannus Wygodzinsky, 1948*; and *Memoirs of Black Entomologists: Reflections on Childhood, University, and Career Experiences*.

The selected candidate will ensure that Thomas Say Publications continues to publish only the highest quality works on systematics and other topics and will have a leading role in ensuring that ESA's publications program continues to thrive.

### General Qualifications

The ideal candidate should be a respected and recognized scientist whose reputation brings prestige and visibility to Thomas Say Publications. He or she should have significant experience in the writing, editing, and reviewing of scientific manuscripts. He or she should also be well grounded in taxonomy and systematics, with a solid understanding of the rules of taxonomic nomenclature.

The editor should be able to devote the time and energy necessary to ensure that published books are of the highest quality and scientific interest and to advance the quality and reputation of Thomas Say Publications.

### Responsibilities

- Work with ESA staff and the editorial board to develop and implement Thomas Say Publications' overarching vision and strategy.
- Provide scientific leadership for Thomas Say Publications, working to ensure that books published are of the highest quality and scientific interest, and that the peer review process proceeds smoothly.
- Evaluate and accept/reject book proposals, with input from the editorial board.
- Recruit peer reviewers for and make accept/reject decisions on manuscripts.
- Ensure that books involving description of new taxa or other nomenclatural acts are published in accordance with the International Code on Zoological Nomenclature.
- Participate, along with the Thomas Say Editorial Board, in decisions on authors' appeals of subject editors' decisions.
- In cases of potential author misconduct, conduct initial investigations and, if necessary, serve on author misconduct panels per ESA's Author Misconduct Policy.
- Attend and participate in annual meeting of the Thomas Say Editorial Board.

The editor(s)-in-chief will receive an annual honorarium and will be reimbursed for expenses, including travel to the ESA Annual Meeting. Appointment is for a term of four years, with an option to renew for a second term. The Thomas Say Editorial Board will review all applications and forward a recommendation to the ESA Governing Board for approval.

**The deadline for applications is February 25, 2019.** Interested candidates should submit the following to the Thomas Say Editorial Board via [pubs@entsoc.org](mailto:pubs@entsoc.org): cover letter describing their qualifications for the position and vision and goals for Thomas Say; curriculum vitae; three letters of recommendation; and two examples that best represent the candidate's published work.

If you have questions regarding the editor-in-chief position or application process, please contact ESA Director of Publications and Communications Lisa Junker at [ljunker@entsoc.org](mailto:ljunker@entsoc.org).