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### **Asante receives 2008 Mike Keedy Award from Text and Academic Authors Association**

*Award honors recipient for dedicated works on behalf of authors*

**St. Petersburg, FL, June 25, 2008** --- Molefi Kete Asante, professor of African American Studies at Temple University, received the 2008 Mike Keedy Award from the Text and Academic Authors Association (TAA). The award is named after TAA Founder Mike Keedy. Asante serves on the TAA Foundation Board.

The Mike Keedy Award honors recipients for dedicated service on behalf of authors. It was presented at the 2008 TAA Conference on Text and Academic Authoring in Las Vegas, June 21.

Asante is considered by his peers to be one of the most distinguished contemporary scholars. He has published 65 books, among the most recent are *The History of Africa: The Quest for Eternal Harmony* (2007), *Cheikh Anta Diop: An Intellectual Portrait* (2006), *Spear Masters: Introduction to African Religion* (2007), *Handbook of Black Studies*, (2005), co-edited with Maulana Karenga, *Encyclopedia of Black Studies*, (2004), co-edited with Ama Mazama, *Race, Rhetoric, and Identity: The Architecton of Soul*, *Erasing Racism: The Survival of the American Nation*, (2003), *Ancient Egyptian Philosophers* (2003), *Scattered to the Wind, Custom and Culture of Egypt*, and *100 Greatest African Americans*. The second edition of his high school text, *African American History: Journey of Liberation*, 2nd Edition, (2001), is used in more than 400 schools throughout North America.

#### **About the Text and Academic Authors Association (TAA)**

The Text and Academic Authors Association (TAA) is the only membership association devoted solely to serving textbook and academic authors. TAA was established in 1987 for those interested in developing and publishing educational materials, including textbooks, articles for academic journals and other academic writing, software, videos, monographs, reference books, and multimedia CD-ROM disks. TAA's mission is to enhance the quality of educational materials and assist text and academic authors in matters involving them, including taxes, copyright, royalties and better appreciation of their work within the academic environment. [www.TAAonline.net](http://www.TAAonline.net)

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