



**Humanities Council Little Lecture  
To Focus on Work and Legacy of Pearl S. Buck**

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Charleston, WV — The West Virginia Humanities Council’s 2018 Little Lecture Series continues at 2:00 p.m. on April 29 at the MacFarland-Hubbard House in Charleston with “Pearl S. Buck: Past, Present, and Future” presented by John Cuthbert. Cuthbert is Director of the West Virginia and Regional History Center at West Virginia University, the repository for Pearl S. Buck’s manuscript collection. Cuthbert will explain how Pearl Buck was one of the most significant and influential figures of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Born in Pocahontas County, Buck never forgot her West Virginia roots.

While many people know Buck (1892 – 1973) as a prolific author and the first woman to win both the Pulitzer and Nobel prizes, few are aware that she was a humanitarian activist as well. An outspoken advocate for racial equality, women’s rights, birth control, interracial marriage, adoption and other causes long before others advocated in support of such issues, her impact was worldwide. Cuthbert will discuss the new wave of appreciation for her literature and her humanitarian contributions.

All Little Lectures are presented on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. at the MacFarland-Hubbard House, 1310 Kanawha Boulevard, East, Charleston. Admission to the lectures is \$10 and includes refreshments after the program. Seating is limited and people interested in attending should confirm that seats are available. For more information visit [www.wvhumanities.org](http://www.wvhumanities.org) or contact program officer Mark Payne at 304-346-8500 or [payne@wvhumanities.org](mailto:payne@wvhumanities.org).

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