Charleston – The West Virginia Humanities Council is seeking proposals for its upcoming September 1 grant deadline. Four grant categories will be offered to nonprofit organizations that support public humanities programming for West Virginia audiences. A description of each category follows:

**Major grants.** This category supports public programs including, but not limited to, lectures, school projects, symposia, panel discussions, reading and discussion series, exhibits, reenactments, and conferences. Major grant proposals may request up to $20,000. Applicants must allow 12 weeks between the September 1 deadline and the start of the project.

**Media grants.** This category supports the planning, scripting, and production of audio or video materials, websites, or a newspaper series. Media grant proposals may request up to $20,000. Applicants must allow 12 weeks between the September 1 deadline and the start of the project.

**Publication grants.** These grants are available to recognized nonprofit and academic presses. They support only the production phase of completed nonfiction manuscripts on West Virginia humanities topics, or works by West Virginia authors on any subject in the humanities. Publication grant proposals may request up to $20,000. Applicants must allow 12 weeks between the September 1 deadline and the start of the project.

**Teacher Institute grants.** This category is available to colleges, universities, and the West Virginia Department of Education to develop summer seminars on humanities topics suited to the teaching needs of elementary or secondary school teachers. Applicants may request up to $25,000, and must allow 12 weeks between the September 1 deadline and the start of the project.

The Humanities Council, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, serves West Virginia through grants and direct programs in the humanities. For more information about the West Virginia Humanities Council grants program contact Humanities Council grants administrator Erin Riebe at (304) 346-8500 or via email at riebe@wvhumanities.org. Grant guidelines and applications are available on the Humanities Council website, wvhumanities.org/grants.