

WEST VIRGINIA HUMANITIES COUNCIL GRANT AWARDS ANNOUNCED

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Charleston – The West Virginia Humanities Council, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, serves West Virginia through grants and direct programs in the humanities. The Humanities Council budgets nearly \$700,000 for grants and programs each year. A variety of grants are offered to nonprofit organizations that support educational programming. Humanities Council major grants are awarded twice annually for projects requesting up to \$20,000. Minigrants support projects that request up to \$1,500 and are offered four times a year. The next grant deadline is February 1, 2017.

The West Virginia Humanities Council recently awarded 15 new grants:

Bluefield State College Research and Development Corp. (Mercer County), "Windows on the World: Presentations on Bolivia, Brazil, Finland, Nigeria, and Tanzania by Fulbright Scholars," classroom sessions and public programs

The Charleston Ballet (Kanawha County), "The Charleston Ballet: A 60-Year History of Dance," documentary film

Kanawha Valley Friends of Old Time Music and Dance (Kanawha County), "Irish Stew: Mixed Roots in Appalachian Culture and Music," public program

Marshall County Schools, "A Cultural Beat," presentations by ethnomusicologist

Marshall University Research Corporation (Cabell County), "A.E. Stringer Visiting Writers Series," workshops and lectures

Marshall University Research Corporation (Cabell County), "The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum's Summer Program for Black History Instruction," teacher institute

Ohio County Public Library, "Upper Ohio Valley Festival of Books," public program with author Jayne Anne Phillips

Prickett's Fort Memorial Foundation (Marion County), "The African American Experience on the Western Virginia Frontier: 1770-1850," museum exhibit and public programs

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Summers County Historic Landmark Commission, "Defense of the Upper Greenbrier: A Community Project," archaeological investigations, presentations, and publication

University of Charleston (Kanawha County), "Outlier: The Story of Katherine Johnson," documentary film;

West Virginia Public Broadcasting (Kanawha County), "Us & Them: Season 3," podcast series

West Virginia Public Broadcasting (Kanawha County), "West Virginia's War," Vietnam War documentary

West Virginia Railroad Museum (Randolph County), "West Virginia Railroad Museum 2017 Exhibit," railroad history exhibit

West Virginia University Research Corporation (Monongalia County), "Creative Writing Coaching," teacher workshops

West Virginia Wesleyan College MFA Program (Upshur County), "WV Wesleyan College MFA Residency Visiting Writers Series," residency and public programs

For more information about the West Virginia Humanities Council grants program contact 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, www.wvhumanities.org.

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