



WEST VIRGINIA HUMANITIES COUNCIL ANNOUNCES 2020 FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

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Charleston – The West Virginia Humanities Council recently awarded nine new fellowships. The \$3,000 grants are awarded annually to college faculty and independent scholars for research and writing projects in the humanities. The Humanities Council offers a variety of grants to nonprofit organizations that support educational programming, budgeting over \$800,000 for grants and programs each year. Humanities Council fellowships, unique in West Virginia, are among its most competitive offerings. **The 2020 Fellows and their subjects are:**

Viatcheslav Gratchev, Huntington, *The Russian Avant-garde in the Memories of the Survivors: The Duvakin Interviews, 1967-74*

Travis D. Stimeling, Morgantown, *WV Religious Music Survey*

Johanna Winant, Morgantown, *Lyric Logic*

Michele Stephens, Morgantown, *Domestic Violence in the Criminal Codes of Yucatán and Campeche, 1872-1915*

Karen Culcasi, Morgantown, *Muslim Men and Women's Experiences in West Virginia*

Michael Kline, Elkins, *Hippie Culture and Community Life in the Back-to-the-Land Movement: The Resettlement of Abandoned Lands in Rural West Virginia*

Brian D. Ballentine, Morgantown, *Data Collection, Curation, and Visualizations of Non-Human Animals*

Kassandra Colón, Morgantown, *Rootedness in West Virginia: Young Latinx Narratives of Community, Belonging and Home*

Blevin Shelnutt, Athens, *Marketplace Aesthetics: Making American Literature in Nineteenth-Century New York City*

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 also available on the Humanities Council website, www.wvhumanities.org.

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The West Virginia Humanities Council, an independent nonpartisan nonprofit institution, is the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. With the support of the NEH, the State of West Virginia, and contributions from the private sector, the Council's mission is to support a vigorous program in the humanities statewide in West Virginia.