

## WEST VIRGINIA HUMANITIES COUNCIL ANNOUNCES GRANT AWARDS

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Charleston – The West Virginia Humanities Council recently awarded 19 new grants to nonprofit organizations in West Virginia that support educational programming. The Humanities Council is the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and serves West Virginia through grants and direct programs in the humanities, budgeting over \$800,000 for such projects each year.

Major grants are designed for projects requesting over \$1,500 and up to \$20,000, and are awarded twice annually. Minigrants, designed for projects requesting \$1,500 or less, are awarded four times per year. The next Humanities Council minigrant deadline is June 1 and the next major grant deadline is September 1. The West Virginia Humanities Council recently awarded 19 new grants:

Capon Bridge Ruritan Club (Hampshire County), Focus on History, Capon Bridge Founders Day Festival, history presentations

Contemporary American Theater Festival (Jefferson County), 2020 Humanities at the Festival, humanities programming

Davis and Elkins College (Randolph County), *Humanities at Augusta: Spotlight on American Folklife and Folk Arts,* humanities programming

Eastern Panhandle National Organization for Women (Morgan County), *Exploring Women's Suffrage in West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle*, presentations and exhibits

Festiv-ALL Charleston, Inc. (Kanawha County), Appalachian Authors Roundtable

Friends of Blackwater, Inc. (Tucker County), Davis WV Industrial History Project, interpretive signs

Greenbrier Historical Society (Greenbrier County), North House 200 Exhibit

Hardy County Convention & Visitors Bureau, Robert Higgins House Phase 2: Create Master Plan, Educational Programs & Community Event

HOPE Community Development Corporation (Kanawha County), Oral History of Charleston's Triangle District

Interact Children's Museum (Randolph County), A World of Fun, traveling exhibit

Marshall University Research Corporation (Cabell County), Amicus Curiae Lecture Series on Constitutional Democracy

Marshall University Research Corporation (Cabell County), *The Wars Within, the Wars Without: Lucan's Civil War through Modern Veterans' Eyes*, public discussions

Mountain Resources Conservation and Development Council (Raleigh County), Sandy Creek Expedition Tour Signs

Preservation Alliance of West Virginia, Inc. (Randolph County), Frances Benjamin Johnston: West Virginia Icon, traveling exhibit

Rural Free Delivery, Inc. (Monroe County), Evaluation and Validation of "Cass: The Play" from an historical perspective, planning and play performance

Shepherd University Foundation (Jefferson County), 2020 Appalachian Heritage Writer's Award, Writer-in-Residence Project and West Virginia State Common Read Program

Upper Monongahela River Association (Monongalia County), Star City Riverfront History Plaques

West Virginia University Research Corporation (Monongalia County), *Hardwood & Harmony*, traveling exhibit and public interpretive programs

West Virginia University Research Corporation (Monongalia County), Summer 2020 American Indian Boarding School Archives Workshop

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, www.wvhumanities.org.

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