



HUMANITIES COUNCIL SEEKS GRANT PROPOSALS

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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 educational programming. 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. This category supports the production phase of completed manuscripts on West Virginia topics in the humanities, or manuscripts by West Virginia authors on any subject in the humanities. Only recognized nonprofit and academic presses are eligible to apply. 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 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 previously announced Emergency Relief Grant deadline is July 26. Funding for this grant has been provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities as part of the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act economic stabilization plan appropriated by the U.S. Congress.

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, wvhumanities.org.

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The West Virginia Humanities Council, an independent nonpartisan nonprofit, is the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The Council is supported by the NEH, the State of West Virginia, and contributions from the private sector. The purposes of the West Virginia Humanities Council are educational, and its mission is to support a vigorous program in the humanities statewide in West Virginia.