

WEST VIRGINIA HUMANITIES COUNCIL ANNOUNCES GRANT AWARDS

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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 over \$800,000 for grants and programs each year. A variety of grants are offered to nonprofit organizations that support educational programming.

Major grants are designed for projects requesting over \$2,000 and up to \$20,000, and are awarded twice annually. Minigrants, designed for projects requesting \$2,000 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 Council recently awarded 11 new grants:

Augusta Heritage Center (Randolph County), *Humanities at Augusta: Celebrating the Artists Behind American Folkways*, lectures and discussions

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

Contemporary American Theater Festival (Jefferson County), 2024 Humanities at the Festival, lectures and discussions

FestivALL Charleston (Kanawha County), FestivALL Author's Roundtable

Friends of Blackwater (Tucker County), Early Mining Voices - The Stealey Tapes, oral history project

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

Preservation Alliance of West Virginia (Randolph County), West Virginia Cemetery Preservation Project, workshop and history project

Shepherd University Foundation (Jefferson County), *Poetry All Around Us: The Writing of West Virginia Poet Laureate Marc Harshman*, Appalachian Heritage Writer's Award, Writer-in-Residence, and WV Common Read Program

Tamarack Foundation, Inc. (Kanawha County), 2025 Creative Writers Discussion and Presentation Series, planning project

West Virginia Mine Wars Museum (Mingo County), Mine Wars Book Talkback Series

West Virginia University Research Corporation (Monongalia County), *Our Votes – Our Values*, discussion and lecture series

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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