

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. Various grants are offered to nonprofit organizations that support educational programming.

Minigrants, designed for projects requesting \$2,000 or less, are awarded four times per year. The next Humanities Council minigrant deadline is April 1. The West Virginia Humanities Council recently awarded seven new minigrants:

Bethany College (Brooke County), Sencha-style Japanese Tea Ceremony Presentation and Workshop

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

Carnegie Hall (Greenbrier County), Appalachian Culture and Cuisine: Salt Rising Bread, presentation

Historic Beverly Preservation (Randolph County), Underrepresented Voices Building Beverly, presentations

Rich Mountain Battlefield Foundation (Randolph County), Fighting Disease and Patching Wounds: Medical Service During the Civil War, symposium

Summers County Historic Landmark Commission, Chasing Mary Ingles, research and planning project

West Virginia University Research Corporation (Monongalia County), *The 38th Annual Callahan Lecture: The Holocaust in the East: New Archives, New Approaches*

For more information about West Virginia Humanities Council grants, 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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