National Endowment for the Humanities

Federal Grants Workshop

About the National Endowment for the Humanities

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is an independent federal agency created in 1965. It is one of the largest funders of humanities programs in the United States.

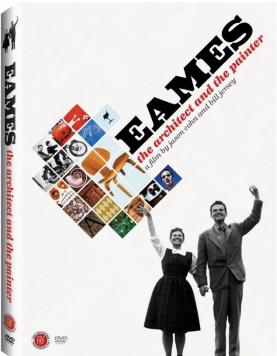
Because democracy demands wisdom, NEH serves and strengthens our republic by promoting excellence in the humanities and conveying the lessons of history to all Americans. The Endowment accomplishes this mission by awarding grants for top-rated proposals examined by panels of independent, external reviewers.

The Humanities













Who applies for NEH funding?



- Museums
- Archives
- Historical Sites
- Libraries
- State, City and Local Organizations
- Community Centers
- Theaters
- State Humanities Councils
- Public Television Stations
- Documentary Filmmakers
- Radio Producers
- Web Designers

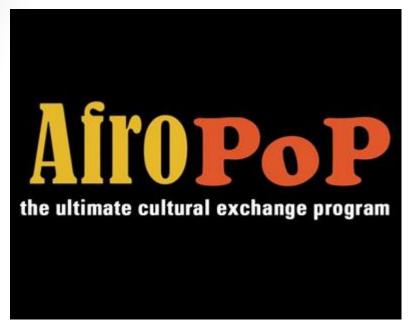
Who applies for NEH funding?

- Community Colleges
- Colleges and Universities
- Tribal Colleges and Universities
- Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Hispanic-Serving Institutions
- College Faculty
- Individual Scholars





Documentaries, Radio, Apps



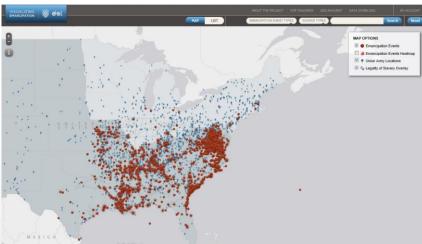


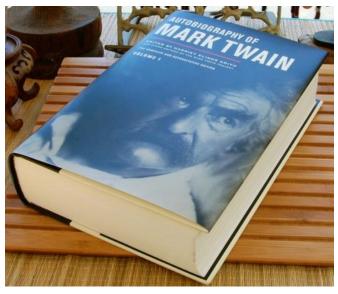


Higher Education









Museums, Libraries and Cultural Organizations



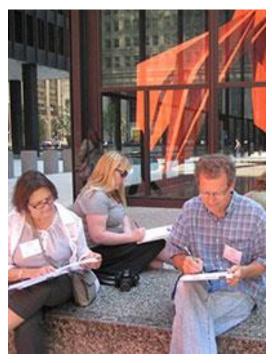






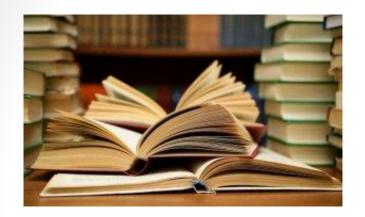
Helping Teachers



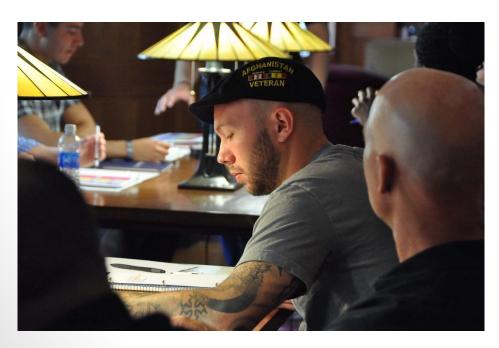


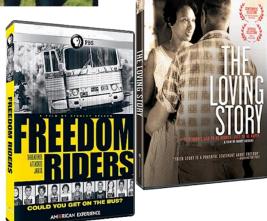


The Common Good



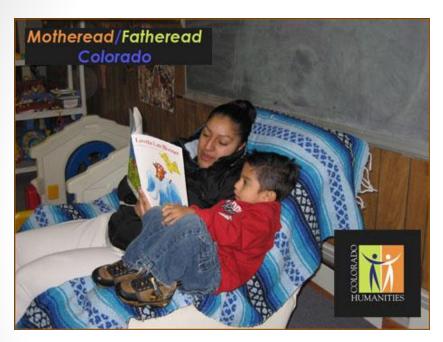








State Humanities Councils











Helpful Tips for Potential Applicants

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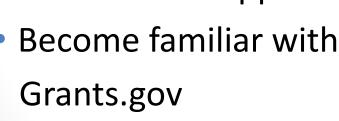
NEH program staff wear three hats:

- Assisting potential applicants with drafts.
- Coordinating the peer review process.
- Providing expert assistance to grantees.



Tips for Applicants

- Explore <u>www.neh.gov</u>
- Contact NEH staff
- Ask peers for advice
- Read sample applications
- Start early
- Proofread
- Send in draft applications
- Become familiar with Grants.gov



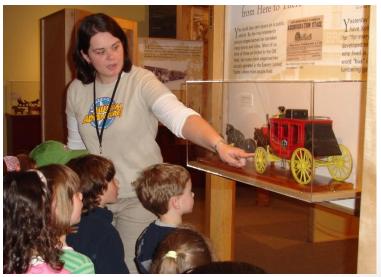


Ask for comments on denied applications

Successful Applications

- Take into account the grant guidelines/criteria.
- Employ long-term thinking.
- Explain why the project is significant. Share what is new and groundbreaking about the project.
- Explain how it relates to the field.
- Highlight the humanities content in the project.





Successful Applications

- Show that the project is doable and can be completed in the required timeline.
- Have a clear plan.
- Make clear who the audience is for the project and that there is demand.
- Anticipate questions and answer them.



Grant Reviewers

Your application will be read by both experts in your field and generalists. So,

- Limit jargon.
- Make the proposal clear and easy to understand.
- Address grant criteria/guidelines.



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- Submit your application no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern
 Time on the day of the deadline.
- The Grants.gov help desk is now available 24/7 (except on federal holidays), at 1-800-518-4726. You can also send an e-mail message to support@grants.gov.
- Be sure that you have your institutions' DUNS number and SAM number.



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