Humanities in the 14th Congressional District

Who benefits from your support?

Local Communities
Your support delivers high-quality programming to your community and others throughout the state. Every dollar we spend leverages at least $4 at the local level.

Featured Grant: Creative Arts Guild in Dalton, Southern Tufts: Fashion from Georgia’s Bedspread Boulevard

This project celebrated Georgia’s contributions to the textile industry with an exhibition of tufted fashion. Ashley Callahan, author of Southern Tufts: The Regional Origins and National Craze for Chenille Fashion, curated the exhibition, gave a gallery talk, and spoke to the Whitfield-Murray Historical Society.

Chenille robe, Southern Tufts exhibition

Hometown Teams: How Sports Shape America
A Smithsonian-quality exhibit pairs with local programming to engage small-town audiences and to serve as a catalyst for revitalized community partnerships and tourism.

- Local partners: Lyndhurst Foundation, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Fort Oglethorpe Tourism, Catoosa County Library, Bandy Heritage Center, LFO Recreation Association, Modern Woodmen of America

- Projected attendees: 200,000 statewide

The exhibit was on display in Fort Oglethorpe at 6th Cavalry Museum in summer 2016.

Hometown Teams, vintage baseball in Fort Oglethorpe

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In a spirit of collaboration, Georgia Humanities gathers, preserves, and shares our state’s distinctive stories through a range of cultural and educational programs and resources. Our work nurtures Georgians’ understanding of themselves and of our state’s place in history and in the world. Our work fosters thoughtful and engaged citizenship.
New Georgia Encyclopedia
www.georgiaencyclopedia.org

A publication of Georgia Humanities, in partnership with University of Georgia Press, University System of Georgia/GALILEO, and Office of the Governor. An award-winning, authoritative digital resource with content correlated to 8th grade Georgia Performance Standards.

- 10 million page views serving an estimated 4 million people statewide, including Murray, Pickens, and Whitfield County Schools, Northwest Georgia Regional Library System, Berry College, Bremen City Schools

PRIME TIME Family Reading Time®
Community literacy program targeting at-risk families.
A partnership with Georgia Public Library Service.

- Athens Regional Library System, Athens

National History Day in Georgia
Middle- and high school students conduct and present original research by creating an exhibit, essay, documentary, performance, or website. A partnership with LaGrange College, Mercer University, and K-12 teachers.

Museum on Main Street, a Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition
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- Hometown Teams: How Sports Shape America
  (May 2016–Nov 2017)
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- New Harmonies: Celebrating American Roots Music
  (April 2012–Nov 2013)
  - On display in Calhoun at Harris Arts Center (spring 2012)
  - Local partner: Gordon County Historical Society
  - Attendees: 8,908

Recent Georgia Humanities Board of Directors Members from 14th District

- Ellen K. Thompson
  Retired School Principal (Dalton)

Governor’s Awards in the Arts and Humanities
Recognizing outstanding service to the arts and humanities.

- Tim Howard (Chatsworth)
- Joyce Perdue-Smith (Rome)
- Robert Webb (Dalton)

Grant Awards
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Organizations funded 2012-16 (selected list):

- Whitfield-Murray Historical Society, Mill League Memories, exhibition
- Creative Arts Guild, tufted garment exhibition
- West Georgia Regional Library, film screening & discussion
- 6th Cavalry Museum, Remembering Our Heroes: WWII Interpretive Program for K-12 Students
- Chieftains Museum/Major Ridge Home, Forward March: The Cherokee and the War of 1812, speakers and tours
- Reinhardt University, The Intertwining of Gold, Religion & Education in Northern Georgia
- Fairview/E.S. Brown Foundation, Fairview Heritage
- Berry College, Remembering the Trail of Tears
- Funk Heritage Center, History Beneath Our Feet: Archaeology & the Trail of Tears
· Chieftains Museum, Cherokee Celtic Festival
· Bandy Heritage Center/Dalton State College, Civil War in the Western Theater
· Reinhardt University, Etowah Valley Iron-making and the Coming of the Civil War

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Recent Book Publications on Georgia history and culture
· Historic Rural Churches of Georgia (co-published with UGA Press)
· A President in Our Midst: Franklin Delano Roosevelt in Georgia (co-published with UGA Press)
· Fuller E. Callaway: Portrait of a New South Citizen (co-published with the Callaway Foundation)
· Courthouses of Georgia (co-published with UGA Press)
· The Civil War in Georgia: A New Georgia Encyclopedia Companion (co-published with UGA Press)

Look Forward: Pulitzer Prizes in Georgia
www.LookForwardGA.org
Digital exhibition created with UGA’s Grady College of Journalism. Highlights the impact of Georgia’s Pulitzer Prize-winning journalists’ “race beat” coverage that impacted the civil rights movement.

Georgia World War I Centennial Commission
Partnership with the commission to honor, educate, and commemorate the legacy of World War I and the impact the war had on Georgia citizens, through National History Day and the grant program.

Talking Service
A program for veterans transitioning to civilian life. Participants read and discuss selections from the anthology Standing Down: From Warrior to Civilian on military themes throughout history, at times relating the book’s subjects with their own experiences. With support from National Endowment for the Humanities, Georgia Humanities sponsored this pilot program in our state and is seeking additional sponsors to continue the program.

Inspired Georgia
28 Works from Georgia’s State Art Collection was on display in Summerville at Paradise Garden and in Tallapoosa at Dogwood City Art Gallery in spring 2014. Partnership with Georgia Council for the Arts.