Humanities in the 9th 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: University of North Georgia, “Mail Call”
This exhibition explored the role that mail from home has played on the morale of American troops engaged in combat, ranging from the Revolutionary War to more recent conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. In addition to the exhibition, the University of North Georgia offered workshops on preserving family photos and documents and a panel discussion with veterans about what receiving mail from home while deployed meant to them.

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: Crawford Long Museum, Jefferson City Schools/Booster Club, Main Street Jefferson, Jefferson Parks & Recreation
- Projected attendees: 200,000 statewide

The exhibit was on display in Jefferson at Jefferson High School Arena in early 2017.

For every $1 we spend...
$4 is invested locally

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Veterans

Talking Service Veterans Project is 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 Gainesville and is seeking additional sponsors to continue the program.

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 Barrow, Habersham, Rabun, Madison, Hart and Hall County Schools, Commerce City Schools, Lanier Technical College, University of North Georgia, Hall County Library System, Elbert County Library System
• Jefferson City School System is one of the top 25 users of the NGE

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

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
A Smithsonian-quality exhibit pairs with local programming to engage small-town audiences and to serve as catalyst for revitalized community partnerships and tourism.

  - On display in Jefferson at Jefferson High School Arena (Jan-Feb 2017)
  - Local partners: Crawford Long Museum, Jefferson City Schools/Booster Club, Main Street Jefferson, Jefferson Parks & Recreation
  - Projected attendees: 200,000 statewide

• *New Harmonies: Celebrating American Roots Music* (April 2012–Nov 2013)
  - On display in Toccoa at Currahee Military Museum (summer 2013)
  - Local partners: Main Street Toccoa, Stephens County Historical Society
  - Attendees: 4,740

Recent Georgia Humanities Board of Directors Members from 9th District
• Hart Wilheit Payne
  Community Volunteer (Gainesville)

Governor’s Awards in the Arts and Humanities
Recognizing outstanding service to the arts and humanities.
• Brenau University (Gainesville)
• Foxfire (Mountain City)
• Kay and Dean Swanson (Cornelia)

Grant Awards
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Organizations funded 2012-16 (selected list):
• Foxfire, *Every Seed Has a Story*
• Young Harris College, storytelling festival
• Lumpkin County Literacy Coalition, book festival
• University of North Georgia, *Southern Literary Festival*, reading and discussion
• University of North Georgia, *Civil War at 150: Perspectives on Impact and Significance*, lecture series
• Brenau University Galleries, *Women’s Work: Oral History Project*
• Trail of Tears Association, Ga. Chapter, *Trail of Tears Traveling Trunks*
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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
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