Grant Guidelines

Georgia Humanities (GH) invites nonprofit organizations to apply for grants to support public programs. Applicants from organizations who have never received a GH grant are encouraged to apply. School, college, or university applicants must demonstrate the project's appeal to an audience beyond the campus community.

Examples of funded grant programs include:
- Film screenings with discussions
- Lectures and public seminars
- Living history programs
- Historic walking and driving tours
- Literary festivals
- Exhibitions

Project personnel roles (Project Director, Financial Officer, and Authorizing Official) must be completed by at least two different individuals.

General requirements
- The maximum award applicants may request is $2,000.
- Project must focus on a humanities topic.
- Project must involve at least one humanities scholar.
- Project must include at least one gathering in which the public comes together for discussion.
- Projects may not begin before July 30, 2020.
- Applicants must show matching support (cash and/or in-kind donations) equal to or greater than the award amount requested.
- Event(s) must be free and open to the public.
- Funded projects must acknowledge the support of GH with use of the GH logo and credit line on all marketing materials publicizing the project.
- Signatures must be handwritten on the original copy of the application.

Eligibility
- Applicants must be nonprofit organizations with IRS 501 (c) 3 filing status. A copy of the organization’s IRS determination letter must be included with the application.
- Organizations with an open GH grant are ineligible to apply until the required final report has been submitted.

Georgia Humanities does NOT fund:
- Individuals
- Performing arts programs
• Camps
• Courses for academic credit
• Travel for academic conferences or professional meetings
• Research expenses (unless directly related to the project)
• Scholarships or fellowships
• Book publications
• Construction or restoration of buildings
• Programs that are not open to the entire community
• Programs of social, religious, or political advocacy

Expenses not eligible for funding include:
• Operating costs such as staff salaries. Staff time dedicated to the project may count towards cost-share -overhead expenses
• Purchase of permanent equipment such as computers or costumes
• Food, entertainment, or alcoholic beverages
• Awards, trophies, or contests

Application submission:
• Send 10 copies of your application to Georgia Humanities. Please mark one copy “Original.”
• Include one copy of your IRS 501(c)3 determination.
• Staple application pages together; do not enclose applications in a binder or folder.
• Failure to include all required information as stated could disqualify your application.
• Applications must be postmarked by March 30, 2020. Applications with a postmark later than this date will be disqualified.

GH will accept application rough drafts for feedback up to March 16, 2020.

Applicants will be notified via email about the status of their application within 60 days of the deadline.

For questions regarding the Georgia Humanities Grant Program, or to discuss potential projects, please contact:

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