The 2024 Spring grant cycle received 52 applications requesting $124,150. Of the 52 applications, the Grants Committee awarded a total of $31,421 to 14 Georgia cultural organizations, more than half of which have never been funded by Georgia Humanities before. This cycle’s grant recipients are located in 12 communities across the state, spanning thirteen congressional districts, and will produce programming that will be available to Georgians in all 159 Georgia counties.

The Constitution and Me
Chattahoochee Valley Libraries | Columbus (2nd Congressional District) | $2,500
This series of events will discuss the history of the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Featuring speakers, a film series, and a series of book discussions and related events, we will examine the impact of the Constitution on the daily lives of Georgians and others.

The Historic Harrington School’s 100th Anniversary - 100 Years of Land Loss and Changing Landscapes in the Harrington Community, St. Simons Island, GA Exhibit
St. Simons African American Heritage Coalition | St. Simons Island (1st Congressional District) | $2,500
The St. Simons African American Heritage Coalition will produce an exhibit as part of a year-long celebration for The Historic Harrington School’s 100th Anniversary. Monthly events will attract visitors to the school with different themed events and programming to inform many target audiences about the rich and lost history of the community.

Historic Oakland Foundation Juneteenth Walking Tours
Historic Oakland Foundation | Atlanta (5th Congressional District) | $2,500
The Historic Oakland Cemetery will produce Juneteenth Restoration-Era walking tours. Offered for free, the tours will provide an immersive experience with actors bringing to life the narratives of residents during the Reconstruction Era. These tours are part of a larger family celebration aiming to educate on African American history.

Augusta University Libraries Holocaust Lecture Series
Augusta University Libraries | Augusta (12th Congressional District) | $1,499
The Augusta University Libraries will be hosting a lecture series on the Holocaust and its local impact. They will offer lectures that interpret the Holocaust by examining journalism, discussing local Jewish history, and telling the story of a local doctor’s role in the nutrition of concentration camp survivors.

Historic Driving Tour of Thomaston Georgia
Upson Historical Society | Thomaston (3rd Congressional District) | $2,500
Thomaston has an important history in the development of the textile industry, culminating with supplying needed textiles during WWII. The Upson Historical Society will create a driving tour that will allow Thomaston’s visitors to visit the mill villages, locations of the textile mills, historic museums, archival and public exhibitions.

The Sankofa Oral History Project
First Missionary Baptist Church | Thomasville (2nd Congressional District) | $2,500
The purpose of the Sankofa Oral History Project is to collect oral histories of three to four historic Black Churches throughout Southern Georgia.
Sidney’s Salons
Historic Macon Foundation | Macon (2nd Congressional District) | $1,587
A series of lectures and talks known as Sidney’s Salons in honor of the famed poet Sidney Lanier. These Salons are free and open to the public. We highlight the work of local and regional authors, academics, researchers, and artists, giving them an opportunity to share their work with the community.

Asian American Identities and Studies Consortium - Georgia
Asian American Voices for Education | Atlanta (5th Congressional District) | $2,500
The Asian American Voices for Education will facilitate a consortium that will be divided into three 4-hour segments for GA K-12 educators, Asian American youth, and Asian American leaders. Three K-12 experts will guide participants on what Asian American identities, how Asian American studies began, and how it is currently and can be implemented today.

The Listening for Art Workshop: Part of the Seasons of Strength Project
Coweta Community Foundation | Newnan (3rd Congressional District) | $2,500
Seasons of Strength is an aural history + live show that documents what happened when an EF-4 tornado hit Newnan in its most historic areas. The project will lead participants to reflect on what happened that night and over the course of a year to individual families and to the wider community, and how the community rallied together in the storm’s aftermath.

We Neighbors Would Meet Together: Oothcaloga Moravian Mission, Integration, and Cherokee Identity
Trail of Tears Association, Georgia Chapter | Resaca (14th Congressional District) | $2,500
The Trail of Tears Association, Georgia Chapter, will produce a temporary exhibit to be displayed at the Funk Heritage Center which interprets the history and influence of the Oothcaloga Moravian Mission on Cherokee integration, nationalism, and sovereignty in the nineteenth century.

Heritage Works For Us StoryCorps Community Archive of Local History & World Cafe Town Hall
Heritage Works, Inc. | Brunswick (1st Congressional District) | $2,000
Heritage Works, Inc. will expand its collection of local Gullah Geechee histories on the coast of Georgia. The expansion will assist in the growth of the already existing StoryCorps community and assist in the training of others interested in their personal development in historic preservation.

The History of Georgia Business With the UGA Libraries Special Collections
Georgia Council on Economic Education | Atlanta (5th Congressional District) | $2,500
To provide an innovative opportunity to research businesses’ role in our state’s history, the Georgia Council on Economic Education will invite Georgia History teachers to visit the UGA Special Collections Libraries to explore primary source documents that will help students understand Georgia’s economic history.

INSIDE | OUT Festival
Stage Door Theatre, Inc. | Dunwoody (6th Congressional District) | $2,500
The INSIDE | OUT Festival will consist of staged readings of work by incarcerated youth, presented to the public by five performing artists, including both formerly incarcerated and non-systems impacted artists. Dr. Elizabeth Beck will provide contextualizing presentations.

Amaru’s Awakening Heritage Reconnection Journey
Maya Heritage Center | Tifton (8th Congressional District) | $1,335
"Amaru's Awakening Journey: Connecting Cultures and Communities," aims to preserve and disseminate the cultural heritage of the Maya diaspora through innovative storytelling and community engagement. A young artist on a mission bestowed by the Gods made a reality with AI.