Overview
of
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This booklet provides information about the National Endowment for the Humanities, an independent federal agency created in 1965 to support research, education, and public programs in the humanities.

The first section provides information about the history, purposes, policies, and organization of the Endowment to help individuals and organizations determine whether proposed projects and activities in the humanities may be eligible for Endowment support.

The second section provides information on the activities supported by the Endowment's grant-making programs, as well as a current schedule of application deadlines for these programs.

The booklet also includes a directory of Endowment telephone numbers, names and addresses of the state humanities councils, and a list of members of the National Council on the Humanities.

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In order “to promote progress and scholarship in the humanities and the arts in the United States,” Congress enacted the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965. This act established the National Endowment for the Humanities as an independent grant-making agency of the federal government to support research, education, and public programs in the humanities. Grants are made through five divisions — Education Programs, Fellowships and Seminars, General Programs, Research Programs, and State Programs — and two offices, the Office of Challenge Grants and the Office of Preservation.

The staff of these divisions and offices guide applications through a peer review process to recommend projects for funding. (This process is explained in more detail on page 4.) The final responsibility for awards rests by law with the Chairman of the Endowment, who is appointed for a four-year term by the President of the United States, with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Chairman is advised by the National Council on the Humanities, a board of twenty-six distinguished private citizens. The National Council members, who serve six-year terms, are also nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate. A list of current council members is on page 30.

The Humanities

In the act that established the National Endowment for the Humanities, the term humanities includes, but is not limited to, the study of the following disciplines: history; philosophy; languages; linguistics; literature; archaeology; jurisprudence; the history, theory, and criticism of the arts; ethics; comparative religion; and those aspects of the social sciences that employ historical or philosophical approaches.

What the Endowment Supports

The National Endowment for the Humanities supports exemplary work to advance and disseminate knowledge in all the disciplines of the humanities. Endowment support is intended to complement and assist private and local efforts and to serve as a catalyst to increase nonfederal support for projects of high quality.

Although the activities funded by the Endowment vary greatly in cost, in the numbers of people involved, and in their specific intents and benefits, they all have in common two requirements for funding: significance to learning in the humanities and excellence in conception. In the most general terms, NEH-supported projects aid scholarship and research in the humanities, help improve humanities education, and foster in the American people a greater curiosity about and understanding of the humanities. More specific information about the types of projects supported by the Endowment may be found in the section titled “Endowment Programs,” beginning on page 7.
What the Endowment Does Not Support

The statutory definition of the humanities given on page 3 establishes the general range of subject matter appropriate to requests for Endowment assistance. The Endowment does not fund the following activities:

- Research or study to acquire an academic degree (with the exception of the Faculty Graduate Study Program for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and, in some instances, projects within the Division of Education Programs);
- Projects that advocate or promote a particular political, ideological, religious, or partisan point of view; and
- Original works of art or performance or training in the arts.

Eligibility for Endowment Assistance

The Endowment welcomes applications from individuals, nonprofit associations, institutions, and organizations. Individuals eligible for Endowment assistance include U.S. citizens and foreign nationals who have been legal residents in the United States for a period of at least three years as of the date of application. Institutions, organizations, individual applicants, or project directors who are delinquent on repayment of any federal debt are not eligible for assistance.

Those planning to apply for Endowment assistance should write to the appropriate Endowment division or office, describing briefly the proposed project and requesting guidelines and application forms (see pages 7-19 for program summaries and pages 21-23 for a schedule of application deadlines). Current guidelines and descriptive materials for all Endowment programs are also available from the NEH Office of Publications and Public Affairs two months in advance of an application deadline date.

How Applications Are Evaluated

Except in the case of Challenge Grants and grants made by the Division of State Programs, awards made by NEH are for specific projects in the humanities. To apply, an individual or organization submits a proposal for a project to one of the Endowment’s funding categories, described in the section, “Endowment Programs.” The application process may take as long as one year between the date of first discussion with program staff and the final funding decision.

Each application is assessed by knowledgeable persons outside the Endowment who are asked for their judgments about the quality of the proposed project. Nearly 1,000 scholars and professionals in the humanities serve on approximately 150 panels throughout the course of a year. The judgment of panelists is often supplemented by individual reviews solicited from specialists who have extensive knowledge of the specific subject area dealt with in the application.
The advice of the panels and outside reviewers is assembled by the staff of the Endowment, who comment on matters of fact or policy or on significant issues that would otherwise be missing from the review. These materials are then presented to the National Council on the Humanities, which meets four times each year to advise the Chairman. By law, the Chairman, taking into account the advice provided by this review process, makes the final decision about funding.

**Special Initiatives**

A special initiative is an undertaking by the Endowment to encourage proposals in all grant-making categories for projects relating to a specific subject or event. Proposals are currently solicited for the following initiatives:

*The Foundations of American Society*

Within its existing programs, the Endowment continues to encourage study, research, and discussion about the history, culture, and principles of the founding period, an emphasis that began with the NEH initiative on the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. Proposals may deal directly with the events and achievements of the founding period, including the ratification of the new Constitution, the establishment of the federal government, and the works of philosophy, politics, literature, and art that were produced during this founding period. They may also treat later events, achievements, and works that have resulted or developed from the founding period or that reflect or respond to its concerns and principles.

*The Columbian Quincentenary*

As part of the international observance of the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus's voyage of discovery to the New World, NEH invites proposals for original scholarship on related topics and for the dissemination of both new and existing scholarship. Topics may include the expansion of European civilization through the efforts of the Spanish and Portuguese crowns and the establishment of new societies and new forms of cultural expression through encounters among native American, European, and African peoples. Proposals may also explore the ideas — political, religious, philosophical, scientific, technological, and aesthetic — that shaped the processes of exploration, settlement, and cultural conflict and transformation set into motion by Columbus's momentous voyage.

**Access to Excellence**

The Access to Excellence Program has been established to make the best humanities education and programming available to the broadest possible
audience. To help attain this goal, an Endowment staff coordinator has been appointed to work with groups that have not previously submitted applications to NEH in significant numbers. The coordinator also conducts outreach programs in geographic areas that have not taken full advantage of the wide variety of NEH funding opportunities.
Endowment Programs

Division of Education Programs

Through grants to elementary and secondary schools, two- and four-year colleges and universities, and other educational institutions, this division supports projects designed to improve education in the humanities at all levels.

Higher Education in the Humanities

Grants support a variety of activities, including institutes for college and university faculty; national conferences; curriculum development efforts, particularly core curriculum projects; and various types of faculty study programs within individual institutions. Most projects are designed to foster the reinvigoration of teaching that occurs when faculty members study and discuss texts and topics central to the undergraduate curriculum. Because the higher education program seeks principally to serve undergraduate education, projects that aim to improve the teaching of core humanities materials or that propose to widen the audience for such materials are particularly encouraged. The Endowment also wants to support projects that improve the humanities preparation of new teachers at all levels, enhance the teaching of foreign languages, or promote the study of the humanities in two-year institutions.

Eligible applicants: Two- and four-year colleges and universities, academic associations, and cultural institutions, such as libraries and museums.

Application deadlines: April 1, 1989; October 1, 1989
Room 302, 202/786-0380

Elementary and Secondary Education in the Humanities

Grants support national and regional summer institutes, state and local collaborative projects, masterwork study, conferences, planning grants, special projects, and other activities that improve the teaching of the humanities in elementary and secondary schools. In most projects teachers and educational leaders study significant humanities materials, with some attention devoted to how such materials may be most effectively taught. Many projects bring college and university faculty into working partnerships with elementary and secondary school teachers and educational leaders. Projects in Western and non-Western history and culture, English literature, and foreign languages are particularly encouraged because these fields generally form the core requirements of school humanities programs.
Eligible applicants: Public and private elementary and secondary schools, school systems, colleges and universities, and other nonprofit educational organizations.

Application deadlines: January 9, 1989; March 15, 1989 (national and regional institutes only); May 15, 1989
Room 302, 202/786-0377.

NEH/Reader's Digest Teacher-Scholar Program

As part of its effort to improve the content and quality of humanities education in the nation's schools, the Endowment invites teachers to submit proposals for an academic year of full-time independent study in a discipline of the humanities.

Eligible applicants: Full-time teachers in public and private elementary and secondary schools in the fifty states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Application deadline: May 1, 1989
Room 302, 202/786-0377.

Independent Study in the Humanities

The Endowment has awarded a grant to the Council for Basic Education to support a program of summer fellowships for elementary and secondary school teachers with at least five years of experience. Fellowships of $3,000 are available for teachers who want to spend six weeks of independent study in one of the disciplines of the humanities. For information, call or write to Independent Study in the Humanities, P.O. Box 114, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 202/347-4171.
Division of Fellowships and Seminars

NEH fellowships afford individual scholars, teachers, and other interpreters of the humanities opportunities to undertake study, research, or independent work for periods ranging from several weeks to one year.

Fellowships for University Teachers
Grants provide support for members of the faculty of Ph.D.-granting universities to undertake full-time independent study and research in the humanities.

Eligible applicants: Individuals
Application deadline: June 1, 1989
Room 316, 202/786-0466

Fellowships for College Teachers and Independent Scholars
Grants provide support for teachers in two-year, four-year, and five-year colleges and universities that do not grant the Ph.D., and also for independent scholars and writers, to undertake full-time independent study and research in the humanities.

Eligible applicants: Individuals
Application deadline: June 1, 1989
Room 316, 202/786-0466

Fellowships on the Foundations of American Society — Grants provide support for college and university teachers and others to pursue independent study and research related to the events and achievements of the founding period, including the ratification of the new Constitution, the establishment of the federal government, and the birth of the Bill of Rights. Applications are submitted through the Fellowships for University Teachers and Fellowships for College Teachers and Independent Scholars programs.

Faculty Graduate Study Program for Historically Black Colleges and Universities
Grants provide support for faculty to undertake one year of full-time study leading to a doctoral degree in the humanities with preference given to those individuals who are at the dissertation stage of their work.

Eligible applicants: Faculty members at historically black colleges and universities. Grants will be made through the applicant's institution.
Application deadline: March 15, 1989
Room 316, 202/786-0466
Summer Stipends
Grants provide support for college and university teachers and others to undertake full-time independent study and research in the humanities for two consecutive summer months.

Eligible applicants: Individuals. College and university teachers must be nominated by their institutions; others apply directly to the division.

Application deadline: October 1, 1989
Room 316, 202/786-0466

Younger Scholars
Grants provide support for high school and college students to conduct research and writing projects in the humanities for nine weeks during the summer under the supervision of a humanities scholar.

Eligible applicants: A college student who is below the level of senior or any high school student may apply. Students who are twenty-two years of age or over must be pursuing an undergraduate degree, full time, at the time of application. Individuals who will have received or expect to receive a bachelor's degree by October 1, 1990, are not eligible to apply.

Application deadline: November 1, 1989
Room 316, 202/786-0463

Travel to Collections
Grants enable individual scholars to travel to use the research collections of humanities materials in libraries, archives, museums, or other repositories.

Eligible applicants: Individuals

Application deadlines: January 15, 1989; July 15, 1989
Room 316, 202/786-0463

Summer Seminars for College Teachers
Participants' grants provide support for teachers in two-year, four-year, and five-year colleges and universities and for others who are qualified to do the work of the seminar and make a contribution to it. Participants attend six- or eight-week summer seminars directed by distinguished scholars and teachers at institutions with collections suitable for advanced study. Applications are submitted to the seminar director. A list of seminar offerings may be obtained from the program.

Eligible applicants: Individuals

Application deadline: March 1, 1989 (for 1989 seminars)
Room 316, 202/786-0463

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Directors' grants provide support for scholars of the humanities to direct summer seminars at institutions with collections suitable for advanced study.

Eligible applicants: Potential directors apply through institutions.

Application deadline: March 1, 1989 (for 1990 seminars)
Room 316, 202/786-0463

Summer Seminars for School Teachers

Participants' grants provide support for full-time or regular part-time school teachers to participate in summer seminars focusing on significant texts in the humanities and directed by accomplished teachers and active scholars. Applications are submitted to the seminar director. A list of seminar offerings may be obtained from the program.

Eligible applicants: Teachers of grades kindergarten through twelve and other school personnel.

Application deadline: March 1, 1989 (for 1989 seminars)
Room 316, 202/786-0463

Directors' grants provide support for accomplished teachers and scholars to direct summer seminars at colleges, universities, museums, libraries, and similar institutions.

Eligible applicants: Potential directors apply through institutions.

Application deadline: April 1, 1989 (for 1990 seminars)
Room 316, 202/786-0463
Division of General Programs

This division fosters public understanding and appreciation of the humanities by supporting projects that bring significant insights of these scholarly disciplines to general audiences through interpretive exhibitions, radio and television programs, lectures, symposia, printed materials, and reading and discussion groups. Out-of-school projects for youth are welcome in all programs.

Humanities Projects in Media

Grants support the planning, writing, or production of television and radio programs in the humanities intended for general audiences. Awards are made for both adult and children's programming. The collaboration of scholars in the humanities with experienced producers, writers, and directors is required. The Endowment is particularly interested in applications for television and radio projects on the lives of historically significant Americans.

Eligible applicants: Nonprofit institutions, organizations, and groups, including public television and radio stations.

Application deadlines: March 17, 1989; September 15, 1989
Room 420, 202/786-0278

Humanities Projects in Museums and Historical Organizations

Grants assist museums, historical organizations, and other similar cultural institutions in the planning and implementation of interpretive programs that use cultural and artistic artifacts to convey and interpret the humanities to the general public.

Eligible applicants: Museums, historical societies, and other nonprofit organizations and institutions.

Application deadlines: June 9, 1989; December 8, 1989
Room 420, 202/786-0284

Public Humanities Projects

Grants support projects designed to increase public understanding of the humanities. Through this program, the Endowment recognizes exemplary public programs and promotes model humanities projects of potential national significance. Project formats may include public symposia, community forums, debates, interpretive pamphlets, or audiovisual materials.

Eligible applicants: Colleges and universities, professional organizations and associations, cultural and community organizations, agencies of state and local government, and nonprofit community groups.

Application deadlines: March 17, 1989; September 15, 1989
Room 426, 202/786-0271
Humanities Projects in Libraries and Archives

Grants support projects that enhance public appreciation and understanding of the humanities through the use and interpretation of books and other resources in the collections of American libraries and archives.

Eligible applicants: Public, academic, special, or institutional libraries and archives; local, statewide, or regional library systems; and state, regional, or national library associations and other nonprofit organizations.

Implementation grants: March 17, 1989; September 15, 1989
Room 426, 202/786-0271
Division of Research Programs

Grants in this division support the preparation for publication of important texts in the humanities, the organization of collections and the preparation of reference materials, the conduct of collaborative or coordinated research, and the development of research through specific regrant programs, including conferences.

Texts

This program provides support for the preparation for publication of works that promise to make major contributions to the study of the humanities. Support is available in three categories:

Editions — Grants support various stages of the preparation of authoritative and annotated editions of works and documents of significant value to humanities scholars and general readers.

*Eligible applicants:* Institutions of higher education, nonprofit professional associations and scholarly societies, and individuals.

*Application deadline:* June 1, 1989
  Room 318, 202/786-0207

Translations — Grants support individual or collaborative projects to translate into English works that provide insight into the history, literature, philosophy, and artistic achievements of other cultures and that make available to scholars, teachers, students, and the public the thought and learning of those civilizations.

*Eligible applicants:* Institutions of higher education, nonprofit professional associations and scholarly societies, presses, and individuals.

*Application deadline:* June 1, 1989
  Room 318, 202/786-0207

Publication Subvention — Grants support the publication and dissemination of distinguished scholarly works in all fields of the humanities. Applications are particularly encouraged for projects that will be of significance to general readers as well as scholars, and for projects of lasting value that, because of production costs, are likely to result in a substantial loss to the press. Applications must demonstrate that the work is important and likely to be influential.

*Eligible applicants:* Scholarly presses and publishing entities.

*Application deadline:* April 1, 1989
  Room 318, 202/786-0207
Reference Materials

Grants in this program provide support for projects that promise to facilitate research in the humanities by organizing essential resources for scholarship and by preparing finding aids and other reference materials that improve scholarly access to information and collections. Support is available in two categories:

**Tools** — Grants support the creation of dictionaries, historical or linguistic atlases, encyclopedias, concordances, catalogues raisonnés, linguistic grammars, descriptive catalogues, data bases, and other materials that codify information essential to research in the humanities.

*Eligible applicants:* Institutions of higher education, nonprofit professional associations and scholarly societies, and individuals.

*Application deadline:* September 1, 1989
Room 318, 202/786-0358

**Access** — Grants support projects that promise to increase the availability of important research collections and other significant source material in all fields of the humanities. Priority is given to projects that provide access to materials that are national in scope or impact. Support is provided for such activities as archival arrangement and description; bibliographies, including bibliographical data bases; records surveys; cataloguing projects involving print, graphic, film, sound, and artifact collections; indexes; foreign microfilming; other guides to humanities documentation; and projects to improve the ways in which libraries, archives, and other repositories make research documentation available. The Endowment encourages proposals for the compilation of comprehensive guides to the bibliographic and archival resources of whole fields or subjects in the humanities. Historically black colleges and universities that possess collections of their own records or other significant primary source material are invited to contact Access program staff for information on the types of projects that are eligible for support.

*Eligible applicants:* Institutions of higher education, nonprofit professional associations and scholarly societies, and individuals.

*Application deadline:* September 1, 1989
Room 318, 202/786-0358

**Interpretive Research**

Grants in this program provide support for scholarly research that will comprehensively treat or make substantial contributions to topics in all fields of the humanities. Grants are available for major projects that cannot be accomplished because of their size, duration, or complexity, through individual fellowships. Support can be for periods from one to three years, and all projects are expected to result in significant scholarly publications. Awards are made in two categories:
Projects — Grants support research that will advance knowledge or deepen or enlarge critical understanding of an important topic in the humanities.

Eligible applicants: Institutions of higher education, nonprofit professional associations and scholarly societies, and individuals.

Application deadline: October 15, 1989
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Humanities, Science and Technology — Grants support research that employs the theories and methods of humanities disciplines to study science, technology, and medicine. The Endowment encourages proposals for the preparation of manuscripts leading to the publication of guided studies of historically significant scientific works.

Eligible applicants: Institutions of higher education, nonprofit professional associations and scholarly societies, and individuals.

Application deadline: October 15, 1989
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Regrants
This program awards funds to organizations that regrant the funds according to an effective and coherent plan for improving the state of research in a particular area or topic in the humanities. Awards are made in four categories:

Conferences — Grants support conferences designed to advance the state of research in a field or topic of major importance in the humanities.

Eligible applicants: Institutions of higher education, nonprofit professional associations and scholarly societies, and individuals.

Application deadlines: February 15, 1989; July 1, 1989
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Centers for Advanced Study — Grants provide support for interrelated research efforts in well-defined subject areas at independent centers for advanced study. Individuals apply directly to the centers. A listing of centers may be obtained from the Regrants Program.

Eligible applicants: Research libraries and museums, American research centers overseas, and other independent centers for advanced study.

Application deadline: December 1, 1989
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Regrants for International Research — Grants provide funds to national organizations and learned societies to enable American scholars to pursue research about foreign cultures, participate in international conferences, and engage in collaborative work with foreign colleagues. Examples are the International Research Awards Program of the Social Science Research Council and the International Travel Program of the American Council of Learned Societies. Individuals apply directly to recipient organizations.

**Eligible applicants:** Research organizations and learned societies.

**Application deadline:** March 15, 1989

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Regrants in Selected Areas — Grants support three kinds of regrants offered by the American Council of Learned Societies: ACLS fellowships, which enable fellows to engage in research for periods ranging from six to twelve months; grants-in-aid, which provide amounts up to $3,000 to defray essential costs of specific research projects; and research fellowships for recent recipients of the Ph.D. Individuals interested in more information about these regrant programs should write to the American Council of Learned Societies, 228 East 45th Street, New York, New York 10017.
Division of State Programs

The division provides support to state humanities councils in the fifty states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Each state council establishes its own grant guidelines and sets its own application deadlines. State councils support a wide variety of projects in the humanities, including library reading programs, speaker-discussion series, conferences, seminars and institutes for teachers and school administrators, media presentations, and museum and traveling exhibitions.

Eligible applicants: Nonprofit agencies, cultural and educational institutions, civic organizations or groups may apply to the council in their states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands (see addresses on pages 26-29).
Room 411, 202/786-0254.

Office of Challenge Grants

Institutions developing new sources of long-term support for educational, scholarly, and public programs in the humanities may be assisted in these efforts by an Endowment challenge grant. Grantees are challenged to raise three or four dollars in new or increased donations for every federal dollar offered. All funds may be used to establish or increase institutional endowments and thus guarantee long-term support for a variety of humanities needs. Funds may also be used for construction, renovation, equipment purchases, and retirement of debt, where such needs are clearly related to improvements in the humanities.

As part of the Endowment's response to the President's initiative, historically black colleges and universities are encouraged to consider making applications to this program. Long-term support for faculty in the humanities and the strengthening of library resources may represent areas of special need for such institutions.

Eligible applicants: Nonprofit, postsecondary, educational, or cultural institutions and organizations working within the humanities.

Application deadline: May 1, 1989
Room 429, 202/786-0361

Office of Preservation

Grants are made for projects attempting to address the problems posed by the disintegration of significant resources for humanities research, such as books, newspapers, journals, manuscripts, documents, maps, photographs, drawings, sound recordings, films, and tapes.
Preservation — Grants support cooperative preservation microfilming at a number of institutions, as well as the preservation of important single collections; the conservation of original materials in certain special instances; efforts to provide professional training in preservation administration; the work of regional preservation services; research undertaken to improve preservation technology and procedures; and projects designed to increase public understanding of the preservation problem.

Eligible applicants: Institutions and individuals.

Application deadlines: June 1, 1989; December 1, 1989
Room 802, 202/786-0570

U.S. Newspaper Program — Grants support projects in states and U.S. territories for the bibliographic control and preservation of U.S. newspapers. Among the activities funded are the planning of statewide projects, the cataloguing of newspapers and the entry of bibliographic information and holding records in the Library of Congress CONSER data base, and the microfilming of endangered newspapers considered important to humanities research.

Eligible applicants: State agencies, organizations, institutions, and libraries.

Application deadlines: June 1, 1989; December 1, 1989
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*For applications due in May, applicants may begin raising money the previous December. See Challenge Grants guidelines for instructions.

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How to Apply

Anyone planning to seek a grant from the Endowment should write to the appropriate program, describing the proposed project. Guidelines and application forms are available from the program or the Office of Publications and Public Affairs, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506, telephone 202/786-0438. Neither the Office of Publications and Public Affairs nor any other Endowment office maintains a general mailing list. Instead, the Endowment responds to specific requests for publications. Guidelines and application forms are generally available two months in advance of an application deadline.

For faster service, please enclose a self-addressed mailing label when requesting information.

Helpful Hints

1. Request guidelines and application forms two months in advance of an application deadline date. Such materials are not usually available before that time.

2. Before submitting an application, check with the appropriate program or the Office of Publications and Public Affairs, 202/786-0438, to verify the application deadline.

3. In all funding categories, except for the Fellowships, Summer Stipends, Younger Scholars, and Teacher-Scholar programs, it is in the applicant's interest to consult closely with NEH staff before submitting a formal proposal against a deadline. Given enough lead time, staff can often review draft proposals or resolve questions over the telephone and thus help applicants avoid vagueness or gaps in the final proposal.
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**Institute of Museum Services** 202/786-0536
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**The President’s Committee on the Arts and the Humanities** 202/682-5409
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Samford University
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