



## Now accepting proposals for Maryland Humanities *Voices and Votes* Electoral Engagement Support Grants

Maryland Humanities seeks proposals for ELECTORAL ENGAGEMENT SUPPORT GRANTS from organizations to present public programming (delivered virtually or in-person) around the theme of *Voices and Votes: Democracy in America*.

Our democracy demands action, reaction, vision, and revision as we continue to question how to form “a more perfect union.” How do we participate in government and make our voices heard? From the revolution and suffrage, to civil rights and casting ballots, everyone in every community is part of this ever-evolving story – the story of democracy in America.

Organizations may seek a one-time grant award of up to \$2,000 for programs with topics relevant to the current state of our democracy. Such topics may include: voting during a pandemic, suffrage, the power of protest, voting rights, voter suppression, contested elections, and ideological polarization, social media and democracy, rural/urban divide in voting, the electoral college, and voter apathy, to name just a few possibilities.

VOICES AND VOTES ELECTORAL ENGAGEMENT SUPPORT GRANTS are open to nonprofits or public entities to support projects engaging and benefitting Marylanders. Preference will be given to proposals with event(s) occurring before January 20, 2021. Projects must be completed on or before March 31, 2021. Support may be requested for events already planned, but taking place after November 20, 2020.

Individuals, partisan political groups and partisan programming is not eligible for this funding.

Maryland Humanities is a statewide serving organization and will aim to support projects so the awards have the greatest geographic diversity and that programming is digitally available.

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## GRANT SNAPSHOT

Award maximum: \$2,000

Open to: Nonprofits, public entities

Expected Output: Free public programming delivered in-person or virtually on relevant civics and electoral engagement topics.

Grant Period: through March 31, 2021

Proposals due: by 11:59 PM on Sunday, November 15, 2020

Expected notification date: November 20, 2020

Project start date: November 23, 2020

Project end date: March 31, 2021

Final report: due to Maryland Humanities three (3) weeks after the grant-supported event occurs and no later than April 30, 2021.

Not eligible for this grant: Individuals, partisan political groups, activities, or programs.

## APPLY NOW

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