

# FY19 Major Grant Application - Fall 2018

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## *Maryland Humanities*

### *Project Title*

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#### **Project Title**

Please enter the project title.

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Goals of the Maryland Humanities Grants Program:

- Promote high-quality public programs that engage Maryland residents in lifelong learning,
- Support programs throughout the state offered by institutions and organizations not previously involved with Maryland Humanities,
- Reach audiences and communities (socio-economic and geographic) that are not served by other Maryland Humanities programs, and
- Support programs that effectively engage specific target audiences, with a focus on educationally underserved adults and students, families with young children (age 8 and under), prison populations, and veterans.

### *Instructions*

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#### **Grants Evaluation Criteria**

The humanities include the study, analysis, and interpretation of disciplines such as history, literature and poetry, classics, philosophy, ethics, jurisprudence, comparative religion, architecture, archaeology, and the interpretation (not creation) of the arts. Creative, performing, or visual arts projects should not be considered for funding.

#### **Humanities Content**

- The project is designed to use the humanities to engage participants (presenters and audience) in educational programming that uses humanities themes in exploring the human experience.
- The humanities content is clearly identified.
- The project uses humanities scholars/practitioners or community experts/leaders to shape the project.

**Project Goals and Impact**

- The goals of the project are clearly identified and explained.
- It is clear whom the project will impact.
- It is clear what the impact will be on participants.

**Project Management and Administration**

The applicant clearly identifies and details plans for the project:

- Implementation
- Evaluation
- Publicity
- Final reporting

How strong and viable are the plans in each of these areas?

**Project Budget**

- The budget is in line with Maryland Humanities requirements.
- The matching funds are at least equal to the grant request.
- The budget adds up.

**Target Audiences**

Maryland Humanities seeks to reach these target audiences: educationally underserved adults and students, families with young children [age 8 and under], prison populations, and/or veterans. We especially encourage applicants with projects that will increase or enhance access to these audiences.

- The project engages one or more of Maryland Humanities' target audiences.
- The project would help Maryland Humanities reach geographic diversity.

**Overall Rating**

Overall rating on a scale of 0 to 5, reflecting how the overall project meets the above listed evaluation criteria

A ranking of 0 indicates an un-fundable project, 5 indicates a project that fulfills all of the above listed evaluation criteria.

Please rate this grant proposal based on the following criteria.

"0" rating means "without merit"

"1" rating means "poor"

"2" rating means "standard"

"3" rating means "very good"

"4" rating means "excellent"

"5" rating means "among the top 5% I've ever reviewed"

## *Quality of Humanities Content and Focus*

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### **Quality of Humanities Content and Focus\***

Please rate this project on the quality of the humanities content and the humanities focus. Are the humanities central to this project? Is the humanities content of excellent quality? Is the program content designed to effectively use the humanities to engage participants in exploring the human experience? Does the project utilize significant humanities texts and/or recognized humanities scholars, tradition bearers, or other experts who are appropriately qualified to inform the project?

**Scoring Options:** 0 - 5

### **Comments**

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## *Program Format*

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### **Program Format\***

What is your opinion of the program format? Does the program have general audience appeal? Does the applicant employ innovative techniques to engage participants?

**Scoring Options:** 0 - 5

### **Comments**

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## *Project Management and Administration*

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### **Project Management and Administration\***

How would you rate the applicant's plans for project management and administration? Does the workplan reflect adequate plans for implementation, evaluation, publicity, and close-out activities? Does the applicant organization appear to have the experience, qualifications, and infrastructure to execute the proposed project? Have the proposed scholars or other experts agreed to participate in the project?

**Scoring Options:** 0 - 5

### **Comments**

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## Budget

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### Project Budget\*

How would you rate the budget? Does it seem reasonable and fitting based on the identified program costs?

**Scoring Options:** 0 - 5

### Comments

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## Target Audiences

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### Target Audiences\*

Rate this project on how well it would help MHC reach one or more of the following goals:

1. Partner with a new first-time applicant;
2. Reach an underserved geographic region,
3. Reach an underserved demographic population.

**Scoring Options:** 0 - 5

### Comments

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## Overall Rating

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Please enter your overall comments in the box below. This is required to be able to complete and transmit your evaluation.

### Overall Rating\*

Please give this grant your overall rating on a scale of 0 to 5.

**Scoring Options:** 0 - 5

### Overall Comments\*

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