

Call for Living History Performers

Ohio Humanities seeks applications from living history scholars who perform characters that are appropriate for the 2016 theme “The Natural World.” [Click here](#) for details and application information.

OHIO CHAUTAUQUA 2016

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Ohio Humanities seeks high quality living history scholars who can portray historical characters for OHIO CHAUTAUQUA 2016: THE NATURAL WORLD. Presentations will be costumed performances based on thorough academic research. With a goal of presenting five unique perspectives on the theme, the OHIO CHAUTAUQUA troupe might include characters that focus on natural history, literature, STEM, ethics, and the environment. *The Natural World* presents a world of opportunities.

An OHIO CHAUTAUQUA living history performance consists of a monologue (30-40 minutes) followed by question-and-answer sessions, both in and out of character. During each week as a scholar-in-residence, performers present one evening performance under the tent, one daytime workshop for youths, and one daytime program for adults. Scholars will be available for meetings and appearances at social and publicity events. Scholars will submit an essay, timeline, and additional written materials for the Companion Reader and other publications. An honorarium, per diem, and travel and lodging expenses will be provided to the scholars. Applicants are responsible for developing their own scripts, costumes, and props.

All applications to portray an OHIO CHAUTAUQUA 2016 character must include:

- Cover sheet with your contact information and the name of the character you wish to portray
- Current vita/resume detailing acting and research experience, along with letters of reference
- 500-word essay detailing the importance of the character and the character’s connections to the theme
- A brief bibliography of sources of information on the character
- Plans for youth and adult daytime programs
- Video (15 minutes or longer) of you portraying the proposed character

Submit applications to:

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Questions? Contact Fran at 800-293-9774; frant@ohiohumanities.org. ***Application deadline is April 1, 2015.***