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WOSU PUBLIC MEDIA WINS NATIONAL AWARD FOR COLUMBUS NEIGHBORHOODS CLASSROOM PROJECT

Receives NETA Award for Instructional Media

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COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 27, 2013 — WOSU Public Media was honored with the Instructional Media Award by the National Educational Telecommunications Association (NETA) for 'Columbus Neighborhoods in the Classroom'. 'Columbus Neighborhoods in the Classroom' was distinguished as a discrete learning object during the NETA Awards, an annual recognition of member-produced excellence in public broadcasting.

In conjunction with the award-winning documentary series, 'Columbus Neighborhoods', 'Columbus Neighborhoods in the Classroom' was developed as 41 video modules from the series with companion lesson plans. Each segment aligns the content to appropriate standards in social studies for grades 3, 4, 5 and 8; and to American history in high school.

Led by Marcelita Haskins, Director of Educational Services for WOSU Public Media, the instructional resources were created in partnership with the Columbus City Schools Social Studies Department, and supported by a grant from the Ohio Humanities Council. The development team consisted of Matthew Doran, High School Social Studies Coordinator; Karen Fiedler, K-8 Social Studies Coordinator; and Doreen Uhas-Sauer, History Speaks Project Coordinator.

WOSU Public Media's 'Columbus Neighborhoods' project was originally developed to celebrate the city's bicentennial with a focus on the rich cultural past of Columbus' historic neighborhoods. The lessons plans for 'Columbus Neighborhoods in the Classroom' are available here: <http://columbusneighborhoods.org/featured/lesson-plans/>.



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