From grants to council-conducted projects, Ohio Humanities programs support lifelong learning in communities across the state. Ohio Humanities is a grant-maker, a conversation-starter, and an essential supporter of Ohio culture.
Grants: Central to the Ohio Humanities mission

2017 Grants Highlights

G is for Gun: The Arming of Teachers in America

G is for Gun: The Arming of Teachers in America is the first documentary film of its kind to examine the rapidly growing, controversial trend of US schools to arm teachers. Through the story of the Sidney, Ohio, school board’s decision to arm a group of volunteer teachers, the film explores the tensions in the national debate and the tenuous state of public education. A wide range of viewpoints and experiences bring into focus the difficult choices many communities are struggling with today.

Lincoln School Project

With grants from Ohio Humanities, the Highland County Historical Society realized the Hillsboro “Lincoln School Project.” The project used oral history, a short documentary video, and an exhibit to tell the story of the first Northern court case testing Brown v. Board of Education. The community committed to sharing the complex history of this event that resulted from the exceptional bravery of the African American community amid resistance from the town’s white majority.
A grant from Ohio Humanities supported "The Spirit of Neighborhoods: Culture Walks," co-sponsored by the Columbus Landmarks Foundation and Columbus Public Health. A highlight of the project was a tour of Al Edmondson's barber shop in the King/Lincoln/Bronzeville neighborhood of Columbus. Photo by Phil Hanson.
Council-Conducted Programs

Pathways Magazine, Ohio Humanities’ flagship publication, was launched in March 2017. This award-winning magazine delivers a humanities perspective on issues that affect the lives and engage the minds of Ohioans through richly illustrated and timely articles. The first two issues of Pathways reached 9,278 readers.

Justice Talking: The Meaning of Service is a long-standing collaboration between Ohio Humanities and ServeOhio, The Ohio Commission of Service and Volunteerism. Small groups use the carefully chosen humanities content to facilitate discussions about the meaning of service. Justice Talking reached 1,094 AmeriCorps members through 60 events in 2017.

Ohio Chautauqua is a five-day community event that combines living history performances, live local music, education, and audience participation for a one-of-a-kind experience. Ohio Chautauqua 2017: The Natural World reached 9,336 people in Burton, Clifton, Warren, and Milan through 66 community programs.

Speakers Bureau provides affordable programs for organizations in parts of the state that otherwise might be unable to access quality humanities programming. Scholars in the fields of history, literature, philosophy, law, and archaeology presented 31 programs, reaching 1,624 people across the state in 2017.

SeeOhioFirst.org is a heritage tourism website for Ohio. The Council began construction of an upgraded website in 2017, thanks to a prototyping grant from the NEH Division of Public Programs. The new site will feature deeper interpretation of places, trails, and driving tours. SeeOhioFirst.org attracted 81,136 unique visitors in 2017.
### $3000 & Above
- The Columbus Foundation
- Thomas Schiff

### $1000 - $2999
- Jane Gerhardt
- George Kalbouss
- Kenneth Ledford & Susan Holderness
- O. Darwin & Myra N. Smith Fund of the Dallas Foundation in honor of Kay Shames

### $500 - $999
- Stanley & Edith Applegate
- Thomas Carpenter & Lynne Lancaster
- David Descutner
- Jay & Sue Giles
- Agnes Heckelman
- Gale Peterson
- Bill Schiffman & Lynne Aronson
- Rachel Schneider
- Kay Shames
- Patricia Williamsen
- Allan Winkler & Sara Penhale

### $250 - $499
- Henry Doll
- Kathleen Endres
- John Hancock
- Frederick & Carol Jarosz
- Kris & John Jemmott
- Robert & Paula Lindner
- Marvin Krislov & Amy Sheon
- Marjorie McLellan & Gary Greenberg
- Angela O'Neal
- Emily Prieto
- Katerina & Roger Ray
- Marc Smith

### $100 - $249
- M.J. & Patricia Albacete
- James Aldridge
- Mark & Sandra Auburn
- Kathleen Baird
- Margaret Baird
- Art & Kathleen Bauer
- Nancy Beja
- Richard Benedum & Julane Rodgers
- Andrea Benza Morwood
- Richard Binzer
- Jim & Suzanne Blaser in memory of John Gabel
- Jean Bolinger
- Keith & Kathy Brantley
- Barbara Brothers & Lawrence Haines
- Gwen Brubaker
- Kati Burwinkel
- Carol Campbell
- Ruth Capito
- Reba Coats
- Robert Colby
- Samuel & Susan Crowl
- Joseph & Noel Dehner
- Jack & Mary DeVille
- Mary Finney
- John & Barbara Fleming
- Hilary & Marvin Fletcher
- Charlotte & James Floyd
- Dan & Tina Frederick
- Ashley & Barbara Ford
- Margaret Galipault
- Richard Gebhardt
- Nina Freelander Gibans
- Gay Marie Goden
- Court Hall, Jr.
- Paula Harsch
- David & Vicki Hartley
- Nancy & Earnest Hatfield
- Andrew Hershberger
- Edith Hirsch
- Paul & Melissa Imhoff
- Anne & Carl Jantz
- Annette Jefferson
- Geraldine Kaftan
- Eleanor Kingsbury
- Brent Kleihauer in memory of Janet Kleihauer
- George & Phyllis Knepper
- Christine Knisely & David McCoy
David & Patricia Kulich
Donald Lateiner
John Layfield
Kenneth McPeek
Ali Minai
Margaret Mattinson
David Merkowitz
Karen & Dennis Moriarty
Gale Ossenbeck
Sandra Paliga
John & Francie Pepper
Margaret Piatt & Jim White
Catherine & Richard Roberts
Steve & Toni Schildcruit
John & Barbara Schubert
Susan & Edward Schueller
Marguerite Shaffer
Louise Shultz
Sarah Sisser
Carey Snyder
Saul & Karla Strieb
Frank Svaty
William & Susan Trollinger
William & Carol Tuttle
Wapakoneta Theatre Guild
Waynesville Historical Society
Shirley Wajda
Pat Williamsen in memory of John Gabel
Carl & Roxanna Young

Galion Canvas Products
Richard Gebhardt
James Hart
Barbara & Steve Heckart
Marilyn Hedges
Betsy Hedler
Frank & Cindy Hilliard
Kathryn Hirsch
Herman & Judy Hoerig
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Karin Jacobson & Robert Seeman
Janyce Katz & Mark Glazman
Nancy & Edward Kelley
Richard & Sharon Jo Kern
Judith Kitchen
Edison & Ruth Klinger
Marcia Kolovich
Mary Ann Larkin
Edward Lentz
Andrew & Karen Lyke
Sanford & Eleonora Marovitz
William & Harriet Merriman
Susan & Allen Musheno
Janine & Brian Montgomery
Robert & Margie Neff
Gary & Linda Nicholson
Byron & Ardith Nolte
Charles Plymale
Melissa Ricksecker & Marc Flinn
Jacqueline Samuel
Robert & Jenny Schmitz
Anne Schweinfurth
Shawnee Nature Club
Genevieve Szuba
James Teeters
Charles Terbille
Sarah Tipka
Virginia Trover
Edgar Walter
Phillip & Peggy Wasserstrom
Beth Weinhart
Marilyn & Bob Welker
Lois & Robert Whealey
Judy Zimmer

Up to $49

Randall & Marilyn Buchman
James Calder
Lorraine Castor
Steve Chapman
Samantha Chase
Marian Conn
John & Deborah Cotton
Robert & Mary Daley
Walter & Anne Dugger
Peggy Ann & David Erskine
Jan Fleischmann
Lawrence Friedman
Alice Gibson
Marilyn & Stuart Greenwald
Robert & Jean Haverstraw
Neil Heller
Erin Jansen
Judy Kovalan
Karen Lewin
Kay Mackan
Ruby Metts
Marilyn Paulsen
Norma Joan Pohle
Carol Reivilock
Richard Robison
Norma Torres
Andrew Verhoff
Amanda Williamsen
Lois Wolf

$50 - $99

Dave Ambrose
Ann Armstrong-Ingoldsby
Fred & Joy Bartenstein
Marcia Baum
Richard Borchard
Grace Bozmoff
Gwen Brubaker
Roger Burns
Donald & Linda Conard
Brodi Conover
Bruce Cook
Carl Denbow
Christine Donaldson
Robert Dorsey
Richard & Martha Ellers
Neil Evans
Michael Foughty