

Michigan Humanities Council Grants and Programs FY 2016

\$1,277,730.66 Council Support

\$1,092,709.79 Community Match

591 Projects were funded throughout the state, reaching 149,303 Participants, creating 1,053 Events

Arts and Humanities Touring Program offsets the cost of bringing juried performers to Michigan communities by offering grants to nonprofit organizations. It is implemented in partnership with Michigan's state arts council.

- 175 Grants were awarded throughout Michigan. **\$82,020 in Council Support.**

Museum on Main Street is a partnership of the Smithsonian Institution and Michigan Humanities Council, providing traveling national exhibitions to rural areas of Michigan.

- 4 Locations hosted MOMs exhibits for Hometown Teams beginning in 2016, and completing the tour for this exhibit in early 2017. **\$32,500 in Council Support.**

Poetry Out Loud is a national high school poetry recitation competition of the Poetry Foundation and National Endowment for the Arts. Students learn about poetry through memorization and performance, while also mastering public speaking skills, building self-confidence and learning about literary heritage. It is implemented in Michigan through a partnership with the state arts council who shares in 50% of the cost of this program.

- 41 Michigan schools participated, reaching 1,903 students in the competition. **\$42,200 in Council Support,** including support from the state arts council.

Prime Time Family Reading Time aims to break the multi-generational literacy barrier by reinforcing the role of family and encouraging parents and children to read and discuss books. It is a program of the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities.

- 11 Grants were awarded to community libraries throughout Michigan. **\$62,350 in Council Support.**

The Great Michigan Read is a statewide reading initiative that connects who we are as Michiganders to learn more about our state, our society and our history. Program partners host reading discussions and events surrounding a single title, written by a Michigan author and/or set in Michigan.

- 300+ Michigan Non-profits participated in Great Michigan Read. **\$232,370 in Council Support.**

The **Heritage Grants Program** supports humanities projects that explore the histories of Michigan's diverse racial and ethnic communities, bringing their voices and perspectives to the foreground in telling their stories. The goal is to build the capacity of grassroots and cultural organizations to engage with and uncover new histories and historical topics that have previously been left out of our understanding of Michigan's past.

- 28 Projects have been awarded Heritage Grants in this first round. **\$653,960 in Council Support.**

The **Humanities Grants Program** supports public humanities-based programming through grants made to nonprofits across Michigan. These programs advance the Council's mission of connecting people and communities so that we may learn from our rich cultural heritage; cultivate a shared understanding and appreciation of each other; and build stronger, more thoughtful communities for the future.

- 24 Grants have been awarded, programs will begin in late 2016 – 2017. **\$307,903 in Council Support.**

The **Quick and Planning Grants Program** are awarded to nonprofits to support programs such as Great Michigan Read and can help cover costs for humanities programs including honoraria, travel expenses, printing, promotion, video/audio taping and exhibit rental.

- 25 Grants have been awarded for FY 2016. **\$12,682 in Council Support.**

Talking Service is a reading and discussion program for veterans throughout Michigan. In small discussions, veterans from several generations come together to discuss texts about the experience of returning to civilian life after their service.

- Two locations hosted Talking Service in 2016. **\$5,250 in Council Support.**



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