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## Oklahoma Humanities Grants Nearly \$100,000 to Diverse Local Programs

(Oklahoma City—May 14, 2024) – Thirteen cultural and educational organizations from across the state will receive awards totaling \$99,274 from Oklahoma Humanities (OH) to fund engaging, public projects that explore diverse cultural themes and perspectives.

"This was a very competitive grant round," said Caroline Lowery, Executive Director, "and we are proud to support these programs that examine underrepresented narratives, encourage discussion and reflection, and help more Oklahomans connect to the humanities."

As the nonprofit, state partner for the National Endowment for the Humanities, OH brings people together across age, background, and politics through programming and community grants that support book discussions, exhibitions, film festivals, teacher workshops, and more. OH accepts grant applications twice a year to encourage public humanities programming that supports its mission to *strengthen communities by helping Oklahomans learn about the human experience*, *understand new perspectives, and participate knowledgeably in civic life*.

As individual programs are finalized, event information will be posted online at: <a href="https://okhumanities.org/events">okhumanities.org/events</a>. Grant application and guidelines are available online at okhumanities.org/grants.

Grant recipients and project titles include:

Oklahoma City National Memorial Foundation "Memorial Archives: Digitization of Videotapes"	\$10,000
National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum "Cheyenne Ledger Art from Fort Marion"	\$10,000
Science Museum Oklahoma "Sky Stories of the Nations Planetarium Show"	\$10,000

Tri-City Collective "Focus Black Rodeo"	\$10,000
Sam Noble Museum "Oklahoma Native American Youth Language Fair"	\$10,000
Seminole Nation Historical Society "49th Annual Wewoka Sorghum Festival"	\$10,000
The Woody Guthrie Coalition "2024 WoodyFest Humanities Educational Programs"	\$8,000
Standing Bear Native American Foundation "Outdoor Interpretative Center Restoration"	\$7,000
Bristow Historical Society "The Smithsonian's Coming to Town"	\$5,974
McMahon Auditorium Authority "NEA Big Read Family History Initiative"	\$5,500
Foundation for Tulsa Schools "Any Given Child"	\$5,000
Local Environment Action Demanded "Remembering Water with Ottawa County Residents"	\$5,000
Plains Indians & Pioneers Historical Foundation "McDonald Collection Digitization"	\$2,800

## **About Oklahoma Humanities:**

Oklahoma Humanities (OH) is an independent, nonprofit organization whose mission is to strengthen communities by helping Oklahomans learn about the human experience, understand new perspectives, and participate knowledgeably in civic life. As the state partner for the National Endowment for the Humanities, OH is a grantmaking organization that provides a free educational magazine, Smithsonian Institution traveling exhibits, reading and discussion groups, and other cultural opportunities for Oklahomans of all ages. OH engages people in their own communities, stimulating discussion and helping them explore the wider world of human experience, through humanities disciplines such as history, literature, film studies, ethics, and philosophy.