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**Oklahoma Humanities Grants More Than \$100,000 to Diverse Local Programs**

(Oklahoma City—October 1, 2024) – Thirteen cultural and educational organizations from across the state will receive awards totaling \$103,448 from Oklahoma Humanities (OH) to fund important and engaging projects that explore diverse cultural themes and multiple perspectives.

During the highly competitive fall round, OH received 28 eligible grant applications from 26 organizations. “We are excited to support these programs that highlight underrepresented stories, foster learning, and encourage discussion,” said Caroline Lowery, Executive Director.

Grant recipients and project titles include:

<b>Freedom Center of Oklahoma City</b> "Inside These Walls: The Freedom Center Story"	\$10,000
<b>Friends of American Song Archives</b> "Preserving the Voices of American Folk Music"	\$10,000
<b>Oklahoma City University</b> "Conversations with US Poet Laureate Ada Simon"	\$10,000
<b>Oklahoma Contemporary Arts Center</b> "Hock E Aye Vi Edgar Heap of Birds: Honor Song"	\$10,000
<b>Seminole Nation Historical Society</b> "4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Pioneer Learning for Area Youth Day"	\$10,000
<b>Thick Descriptions</b> "2025 Crowns Tea: Transforming Oklahoma Communities in Rural Areas"	\$10,000
<b>Tri-City Collective</b> "Real Talk: Voicing the Margins "	\$9,450

<b>Chautauqua Council of Enid</b> "Anything Goes: America in the Roaring Twenties"	\$7,500
<b>Friends of the Lawton Public Library</b> "Anything Goes: America in the Roaring Twenties"	\$7,500
<b>Tulsa Chautauqua</b> "Anything Goes: America in the Roaring Twenties"	\$7,500
<b>Oklahoma Historical Society</b> "Book Discussion and History Symposium Speaker"	\$5,383
<b>East Central University</b> "Killing the Negative: Conversation in Art & Verse"	\$3,615
<b>City of Miami, Oklahoma</b> "Miami Library Genealogy Collection Preservation"	\$2,500

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 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.

As individual programs are finalized, event information will be posted online at: [okhumanities.org/events](http://okhumanities.org/events). Grant application and guidelines are available online at [okhumanities.org/grants](http://okhumanities.org/grants).

#### **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.

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