

Federal/State Partnership

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Federal/State Partnership is the collaborative effort of NEH and fifty-six state and territorial humanities councils. The goals of the state humanities councils reflect NEH's mission to promote knowledge of human history, thought, and culture, and to enhance the role of the humanities throughout the nation. The partnership is specifically developed to help the Endowment realize its strategic goals of increasing public awareness of, access to, and participation in the humanities. In addition, the partnership helps NEH to strengthen humanities teaching and learning in schools and colleges across the nation. The partnership is a significant aspect of NEH's efforts to make public humanities education and lifelong learning readily available at the local level, tailored to local interests and needs.

Humanities councils operate in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and Amerika Samoa. Federal/State Partnership makes annual operating support grants to councils to fund locally developed programs and to design and conduct humanities initiatives. The councils' effectiveness in serving the public is seen in their collective success in attracting contributions well in excess of the 1:1 match required by NEH's legislation. In FY 2003, in addition to significant in-kind gifts of support, councils received more than \$24 million beyond their NEH general operating support grants. Of this, \$9 million came from state legislatures and more than \$8 million from foundations, corporations, and individual donors.

In FY 2003 councils supported thousands of programs that reached millions of Americans. Fifty councils sponsored K–12 teacher projects for

almost 650,000 participants; thirty-eight councils sponsored literacy programs that drew more than 313,000 participants; 2 million participants gathered in book discussions, more than 4.5 million participated in cultural tourism and local history projects; 1 million participants attended scholar-led seminars, conferences, and lectures; and 546,000 people attended chautauqua-type performances. Council-funded exhibitions attracted approximately 8.7 million visitors, while council-funded media projects attracted an audience of approximately 200 million. Finally, more than 1 million students participated in council-funded projects.

More than three decades of public programming experience are behind the councils as they begin implementing NEH's new initiative, *We the People*. With strong networks among cultural and educational institutions and versatility in the use of diverse media, councils are well prepared to reinforce the importance of the American experience, both by supporting it with their own resources and by encouraging participation in NEH's programs and grant offerings.

This kind of public programming, using text-based civic education, has, in fact, long been practiced by councils. The humanities councils in Nebraska, Illinois, Rhode Island, and Utah serve as state coordinators for the Capitol Forum on America's Future, a three-part program in which high school social studies teachers and their students devote a year of study to the role of the United States in world affairs. Councils also sponsor humanities-based civic leadership programs, such as Leadership Anchorage in Alaska and Indiana's Habits of the Heart, which



Chautauqua performance in Nevada.

trains youth in volunteerism and philanthropy. The Georgia Humanities Council and the Indiana Humanities Council both hold annual statewide leadership forums.

State humanities councils can bring the humanities to the public on a large scale, sometimes embracing populations of entire towns, cities, or regions. The councils are directly responsible for the revival of Chautauqua, the nineteenth-century institution that combines public entertainment and learning, and what Theodore Roosevelt once called “the most American thing in America.” The encouragement of reading is a core function of the state humanities councils and they have been influential in founding and supporting book festivals around the country that attract large and

devoted crowds. The Virginia Foundation for the Humanities had an international reach with its “Re-Imagining Ireland” conference, opened by Ireland’s President Mary McAleese. The public conference explored Ireland as a modern and prosperous, yet traditional, culture. Participants included journalists, writers, politicians, artists, scholars, musicians, and citizen activists from Ireland. Discussions examined how a future Ireland can emerge as a compassionate and vital society that creates itself anew, while preserving the strengths of its heritage.

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