2024 Spark Grant

Wyoming Humanities Council

General Grant Information

Important:
If you are applying for a grant for a different non-profit than the one you originally registered with, please contact Wyoming Humanities. Applications must be completed by the project/program director under a registered user name through this Foundant site. You are encouraged to download the question list using the provided link in the upper right if you would like to draft answers elsewhere. Applications must be submitted through this portal. Email and mail copies of this application will not be accepted.

Project Name*
Provide a title that is descriptive of the project.
Character Limit: 100

Project Subtitle*
In one sentence tell us what your program or project is about, who the program or project impacts, and the intended impact or outcome.
Character Limit: 150

Project/Grant Start Date*
Date of First Grant Funded Event or Activity. (Start date must be at least 30 days after Spark Grant due date.)
Character Limit: 10

Project/Grant End Date*
Date of Last Grant Funded Event or Activity. (The final report for this grant will be due 45 days following this date)
Character Limit: 10

Organization UEI:* 
Starting in April 2022 organizations receiving funds from Wyoming Humanities will need a UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) from SAM.gov. This replaces the DUNS number previously used.

Getting a UEI is free. Your organization will need a 12-digit UEI number to be eligible for any federal funds it may receive and any future grants from Wyoming Humanities.
Character Limit: 12
Grant Funds Requested*
List, from your submitted budget, the total amount of WYH-provided grant funds requested.
*Character Limit: 20

Cost Sharing*
List, from your submitted budget, the total amount of non-WYH funding and in-kind donations for the project. This should be at least a 1:1 match.
*Character Limit: 20

Project Total*
List the total costs of the project (should be the sum of the previous 2 amounts)
*Character Limit: 20

Fiscal Agent
The Fiscal Agent is the person responsible for receiving, disbursing, and accounting for all grant funds used in a project. They are also responsible for recording and accounting for all funds. The Fiscal Agent may be someone such as an accountant, but is usually the fiscal officer of the sponsoring organization. The Project Director/Grants Administrator may not serve as the fiscal agent.

A. Name*
*Character Limit: 50

B. Organization and Role/Expertise*
*Character Limit: 50

C. Phone*
*Character Limit: 50

D. Email*
*Character Limit: 50

Fiscal Sponsorship (if applicable)
A fiscal sponsorship is required when a for-profit organization is applying for this grant funding. A fiscal sponsor needs to be a nonprofit organization 501(c)3, that can support your program or project. Fiscal sponsors should be an organization that is mission-aligned with the proposed project and a collaborative partner able to demonstrate a robust knowledge of the sponsored project and organization being sponsored.

If you have questions about whether or not a fiscal sponsor is appropriate for your project, please contact Chloé Flagg at chloe@thinkwy.org.
Fiscal Sponsorship - Organization Name:

The chosen fiscal sponsor must be a nonprofit 501c3, tax exempt to qualify for Wyoming Crossroads Grants. Fiscal Sponsors should be an organization that is mission-aligned with the proposed project and a collaborative partner able to demonstrate a robust knowledge of the sponsored project and organization being sponsored.

If you have questions about whether or not a fiscal sponsor is appropriate for your project, please contact Chloé Flagg at chloe@thinkwy.org.

Fiscal Sponsorship - Organization Information
Please provide the following information for the sponsoring organization:

Mailing Address:
Organization UEI:
Organization EIN:

Fiscal Sponsorship - Primary Contact Information
Please provide the following information for the primary contact of the sponsoring organization.

Primary Contact Name (First and Last):
Email:
Phone:

Fiscal Sponsorship - Letter of Involvement
If your organization is using a fiscal sponsor to apply for this Spark Grant, please upload a Letter of Involvement signed by the fiscal sponsor on their organization letterhead. A Letter of Involvement should outline:

• the mission-alignment between the sponsored project and the sponsoring organization.
• a robust knowledge of the sponsored project and the organization being sponsored.
• demonstrate the fiscal sponsors' involvement as a collaborator on the sponsored project.

If you are unsure if your organization needs a fiscal sponsor for this grant, please contact Grants Director Chloé Flagg at chloe@thinkwy.org.

File Size Limit: 5 MB
**Project Information**

The humanities encompass the study of all our forms of human cultural expression: history, arts, literature, philosophy, religion, laws, cultural studies and languages. They encourage careful thought, in the process offering participants ways to inform themselves and consider multiple perspectives.

- **History, anthropology, political science, archaeology, folklife and art history** - the study of human social, political, and cultural development.
- **Philosophy, ethics, and comparative religion** – the contemplation of the meaning of life and the reasons for our thoughts and actions.
- **Literature, languages, and linguistics** – the exploration of how we communicate with each other, and how our ideas and thoughts on the human experience are expressed and interpreted.
- **Jurisprudence** – the study of the values and principles which inform our laws.

**Project Description***

Provide a concise overview of the proposed project. What will the project do (e.g., this will be a two day festival featuring historical presentations, panel discussions, etc.)? Please use this space to describe any specifics of the project, such as content explanation about specific events or panels. (e.g., "Event 1 will look at ________.")

*Be sure to identify how your project will use the humanities to explore particular topics, questions, or values.*

*Character Limit: 1200*

**Project Audience & Event(s)***

Who is your intended audience for this program? (Seniors, K-12 students, history buffs?) Please provide the title, location, date and time for the public event(s) that will be part of your program.

*Character Limit: 500*

**Project Impact***

Why is this project important for your community? What community need or issue will it serve?

*Character Limit: 900*

**Mission match: Expanding the Wyoming narrative***

Wyoming Humanities seeks to expand the Wyoming narrative to promote engaged communities. How does your proposed program do this?

What do we mean by “Expanding the Wyoming Narrative to Promote Engaged Communities”?
From our interactions with citizens and cultural organizations around Wyoming, we find there is a need and desire to explore the lesser known narratives that make Wyoming a unique place and to investigate pre-conceived notions about our past and present. This exploration helps to elevate voices from diverse backgrounds and makes connections within and across groups, from those who share a cultural heritage or interest to those who live in the same town or region.

In other words, Wyoming Humanities is especially committed to funding projects that explore our state’s unknown stories and/or take a closer look at well-known stories. In the process, these projects will ideally make or strengthen connections within and between groups of people in Wyoming.

Project Outcome*
Given your answer to the previous two questions, once your project is done, what changes in your audience's behavior, knowledge, attitude, etc. do you hope to see? (e.g., "After visiting this exhibit, visitors will have a deeper understanding of the formation of the Wind River Reservation, which will in turn help them to appreciate the integral roles the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho nations have played in the history of our state.")

Optional: Promotional Materials
Please feel welcome to upload an event flyer or social media post that provides the title, location, date and time for the public event(s) that will be part of your program. The document may be either in .xlsx or .docx or .pdf format.

File Size Limit: 3 MB
Laramie
Lincoln
Natrona
Niobrara
Park
Platte
Sheridan
Sublette
Sweetwater
Teton
Uinta
Washakie
Weston
Statewide (typically used for documentaries and digital projects)

**Audience and Publicity***
How will you reach your intended audience (posters, newspaper articles, list servs, social media audiences, etc.)?

*Character Limit: 900*

**Estimated attendance***
What is your estimated audience attendance/participation (in the case of a media project, how many viewers, listeners, or website visitors are expected once the project is published)?

*Character Limit: 15*

**Cost of attendance***
Wyoming Humanities supported programs and events are free and open to the public. If your organization is charging an event or entrance fee, please explain why you are charging this fee, the fee amount, and the intended use of these fees.

*Wyoming Humanities funds cannot be used to fundraise for an organization. All monies raised through ticket sales must go towards the event/project expenses.*

*Character Limit: 600*

**Accessibility***
Describe how the project and facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities or special needs. Does the venue meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Requirements?

*Character Limit: 600*

**Outcome Evaluation***
In the "Project Information" section of this application, we asked you to identify what changes you hope to see due to your program. What will you do to evaluate if your project made those changes?
The more specific you can be here, the better (e.g., if you plan on using a survey, clarify what types of questions you will ask on that survey. If you plan to observe audience members during an event, what specifically will you be looking for?)
Organizations and People Involved

Collaborating Organizations*
Wyoming Humanities values new and creative collaborations between organizations, including non-profits, colleges, governmental organizations, and businesses.

List any partnerships or groups you are working with on this project. Are these new or established partnerships?

Character Limit: 1200

Humanities Scholars and/or Experts:
List the humanities scholar(s) and/or expert(s) who are involved in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of this project.

Wyoming Humanities has expanded our definition of humanities scholar to include humanities experts. We encourage applicants to choose the most project-appropriate humanities scholar/expert. Some examples of humanities scholars/experts include: a Tribal member or elder, a Master of Fine Arts, a topic-specific author/presenter/speaker, etc.

Please feel welcome to reach out to chloe@thinkwy.org if you would like assistance securing a humanities scholar/expert for your project.

Humanities Scholar/Expert 1

A. Name*
Character Limit: 250

B. Role in Project*
How will this humanities scholar/expert be involved in your project?
Character Limit: 450

C. Qualifications*
How is this person’s humanities expertise appropriate for your project? (e.g., an advanced degree in the subject matter; published a peer-reviewed text on the subject; experience teaching or presenting on the subject matter, etc.)
Character Limit: 450
D. Email*
Please include a contact email (or, if an email is unavailable, a phone number) for the humanities scholar/expert.

*Character Limit: 50

Humanities Scholar/Expert 2

A. Name
*Character Limit: 150

B. Role in Project
How will this humanities scholar/expert be involved in your project?
*Character Limit: 450

C. Qualifications
How is this person's humanities expertise appropriate for your project? (e.g., an advanced degree in the subject matter; published a peer-reviewed text on the subject; experience teaching or presenting on the subject matter, etc.)
*Character Limit: 450

D. Email
Please include a contact email (or, if an email is unavailable, a phone number) for the humanities scholar/expert.
*Character Limit: 50

Humanities Scholar/Expert 3

A. Name
*Character Limit: 150

B. Role in Project
How will this humanities scholar/expert be involved in your project?
*Character Limit: 450

C. Qualifications
How is this person's humanities expertise appropriate for your project? (e.g., an advanced degree in the subject matter; published a peer-reviewed text on the subject; experience teaching or presenting on the subject matter, etc.)
*Character Limit: 450

D. Email
Please include a contact email (or, if an email is unavailable, a phone number) for the humanities scholar/expert.
Other Key Participants
List additional scholars and any other key participants (other than the project director) who are involved in the planning or implementation of this project. Include their roles and any pertinent experience or expertise.

Character Limit: 1200

OPTIONAL: Letter of Support
Please feel welcome to upload a letter of support from any organization or person involved with this project that wishes to demonstrate their involvement and excitement for the project's success.

File Size Limit: 5 MB

Budget Grid Attachment & Budget Narrative

Budget Grid & Budget Narrative*

Budget Grid:
Please download and fill-in the required budget grid by clicking here. This proposed budget is required to complete your application, and must be signed by the listed fiscal agent. This is your opportunity to be specific!

If you have problems or questions, please contact Chloé at chloe@thinkwy.org. (Files may be uploaded in the original .docx file format, as a .pdf, or as a .xlsx.)

Budget Narrative:
In the space below, you are encouraged to offer a brief narrative of the budget grid. This is your opportunity to be broad! An example would be:
"This request is for $1,800 and these are our plans for those funds:
$600 for humanities scholar honorarium and travel costs,
$400 for marketing/promotion and event supplies,
$800 for event space and equipment rental.
"

Character Limit: 2000 | File Size Limit: 5 MB

Other Funding

Other Funding Sources*
List any organizations or individuals not listed under "Collaborating Organizations" who have committed to funding (in cash or in kind) parts of this project.
Other Financial Support*  
List any organizations or individuals who will be asked to contribute money to this project.

Character Limit: 1000

Signatures

AGREEMENT: I agree to use the funds as set forth in this proposal and certify our compliance with the regulations specified below.

1. Certification Regarding the Nondiscrimination Statutes  
The applicant certifies that it will comply with the following nondiscrimination statutes and their implementing regulations:
(a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), which provides that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the applicant received federal financial assistance;
(b) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance;
(c) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance; and
(d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance, except that actions which reasonably take age into account as a factor necessary for the normal operation or achievement of any statutory objective of the project or activity shall not violate this statute.

2. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion (45 CFR 1169)  
(a) The applicant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. (b) Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in the certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

By typing your name and submitting this application, you agree to the terms and certifications above.

Authorized Signature*  
Please enter first and last name.
Character Limit: 100

Application Date*
Character Limit: 10