Humanities Texas advances heritage, culture, and education. As the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), we conduct and support public programs in history, literature, philosophy, and the other humanities disciplines. These programs strengthen Texas communities by cultivating the knowledge and judgment that representative democracy demands of its citizens.

**WHAT DOES HUMANITIES TEXAS DO?**

- Conducts teacher institutes and workshops to support humanities instruction in Texas schools.
- Presents awards recognizing Texas teachers’ outstanding contributions to humanities education.
- Develops and circulates humanities curriculum resources to teachers throughout the state and nation.
- Facilitates Texas Storytime, a literacy program for pre-K and kindergarten students and their families.
- Organizes Veterans’ Voices, a reading and discussion program for veterans, military families, and civilians.
- Creates and circulates traveling exhibitions on historical, literary, and cultural topics.
- Administers a competitive grants program to support humanities projects and events.
- Produces Texas Originals, a radio series profiling individuals who have had a profound influence on Texas history and culture.
- Maintains a content-rich website with a broad array of humanities resources, including our monthly e-newsletter.

**GRANTS**

Working in partnership with NEH, Humanities Texas provides financial support to nonprofit organizations and institutions for humanities programs aimed at public audiences.

- **Mini-grants** fund up to $1,500 of the costs associated with public programs. These small grants are particularly appropriate for funding a speaker and/or renting a traveling exhibition.
- **Community project grants** fund comprehensive public programs such as lectures, seminars, and conferences; book and film discussions; interpretive exhibitions and materials; town forums and civic discussions; and teacher workshops.
- **Media project grants** fund film, radio, or interactive programming related to the humanities.

**EXHIBITIONS**

The Humanities Texas exhibitions program circulates more than sixty traveling exhibitions on a variety of topics, including Martin Luther King Jr., the signers of the Texas Declaration of Independence, the Dust Bowl, and the art of El Greco. Humanities Texas exhibitions are designed to appeal to institutions of all sizes and budgets, from small community centers with volunteer support to museums with curatorial staff. The program offers multiple exhibition formats, high-quality content and supplementary materials, easy installation, and low rental fees.

**TEACHER INSTITUTES AND WORKSHOPS**

With support from NEH, the State of Texas, and private funders, Humanities Texas conducts institutes and workshops supporting Texas classroom teachers’ intellectual and professional development. These programs—which are free of cost to teachers and their schools—offer teachers the opportunity to work closely with prominent humanities scholars exploring topics at the heart of the state’s social studies and language arts curricula. Targeting early-career teachers in areas with low student achievement on state assessments, our programs emphasize content-intensive training.

**CURRICULUM RESOURCES**

Humanities Texas supports excellence in humanities education by circulating high-quality curriculum resources to teachers throughout the state and nation. Recently developed resources include A President’s Vision, which examines the aspirations of notable U.S. presidents and the programs and initiatives that advanced each man’s vision, and our online Digital Repository, which includes historical documents, works of art, video recordings of public lectures, episodes of our Texas Originals radio program, and countless other resources. In 2020, we will publish online a suite of engaging curriculum materials supporting instruction in Latino American history.