Grant Opportunities

Two Opportunities from the National Endowment for the Humanities

Landmarks of American History and Culture: Workshops for Community College Faculty
Deadline: March 16, 2009

As part of the *We the People* program, the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is offering workshops for community college faculty. Workshops provide the opportunity for community college educators to engage in intensive study and discussion of important topics in American history. Workshops, focused on a specific landmark or clusters of landmarks, will take place in summer 2009 at various locations around the nation. Faculty selected to participate will receive a stipend of $750 to help cover living expenses, books and travel expenses to and from the workshop location. The 2009 topics include:

- Encountering John Adams: Boston and Braintree
- Concord, Massachusetts: a Center of Transcendentalism and Social Action in the 19th Century
- Landmarks of American Democracy: From Freedom Summer to the Memphis Sanitation Workers’ Strike
- The American Lyceum and Public Culture: The Rhetoric of Idealism, Abolition, and Opportunity
- Progress and Poverty: The Gilded Age in American Politics and Literature, 1877-1901
- Passages to Cleveland: Community Memory and the Landmarks of Migration

Small Grants to Libraries: *Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War*
Deadline: January 30, 2009

With this grant program, the NEH offers small grant for libraries—including academic libraries—to host a traveling exhibition titled “Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War.” The exhibit offers a fresh and innovative perspective on Lincoln that focuses on his struggle to meet the political and constitutional challenges of the Civil War.

Successful applicants will receive a $2,500 grant for exhibition-related expenses and exhibition programming. Libraries must sponsor an opening event for the public and two programs featuring a lecture and discussion by a scholar in the humanities.

**For more information, check the NEH Web site at neh.gov or contact the STLCC Office of Institutional Development: 314/539-5354.** (Continued on page 2)
From the National Endowment for the Arts: The Big Read

**Deadline: February 3, 2009.**

The Big Read offers support for community reading projects. It is an initiative of the NEA designed to restore reading to the center of American culture. Presented in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in cooperation with Arts Midwest, the initiative brings together partners across the United States to encourage reading for pleasure and enlightenment. The Big Read is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations to conduct month-long, community-wide reads between September 2009 and June 2010. Organizations selected will each receive a grant ranging from $2,500 to $20,000, national recognition and promotional materials. Approximately 400 organizations of varying sizes across the country will be selected for this cycle. Applicant organizations must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization; a division of state, local, or tribal government; or a tax-exempt public library. Eligible applicants include such organizations as literary centers, libraries, museums, colleges and universities, art centers,

For more information on any of the opportunities listed, please call the Office of Institutional Development at 539-5354

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**Faculty and Staff Kudos**

SLCC receives external funding for a variety of projects and programs. **Project directors, sources, grant amounts, and descriptions for some of the recent awards follow:**

**Herb Gross and Laura Sterman,** U.S. Department of Education, Predominantly Black Institutions Program, $600,000.
A grant for the Florissant Valley and Forest Park campuses to implement the African-American Male Initiative: Empowering Student Leaders for the Future. The project is aimed at improving educational outcomes for African-American males.

**Mary Krogmeier,** Dimensions Educational Research Foundation, $9,500.
A grant for the Florissant Valley Child Development and Laboratory Center to establish a demonstration Nature Explore Classroom, a model outdoor learning environment for children.

**Steve Long and Karen Mayes,** St. Louis Agency on Training and Education (SLATE) and Missouri Department of Economic Development, $75,000.
A contract to fund a portion of the salaries of two nursing retention coaches for the districtwide nursing program.

**Susan McKnight,** Youth for Understanding USA, $39,045.
A contract for St. Louis Community College at Florissant Valley to provide an international academic experience for six students participating in the Youth for Understanding Community College Program.

**Congratulations!**