

Grants Awarded Calendar Year 2006

153 Applications Received (72 Rejected)

81 Funded

41 Open

5 AFAM Mini

28 Discretionary

7 WTP (3 Open paid with both Open and WTP funds)

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1/16/2006	Halifax County Historical Society	Discretionary	The Crossing of the Dan	\$2,500.00	Funds to support portions of a two-day event commemorating General Nathaniel Greene's crossing of the Dan River in 1781, a strategic maneuver that hastened the end of the Revolutionary War.
1/19/2006	Library of Virginia Foundation	Discretionary	Down In The Old Belt - Screening	\$2,500.00	Funds to support a lecture and portions of an event to celebrate the Richmond premiere of the VFH-funded documentary film "Down In the Old Belt."
1/23/2006	Fairfax County Park Authority	Discretionary	"Food for Thought" Symposium	\$1,400.00	Funds to support the second annual "Food for Thought" symposium, located at the site of one of the two fully operational grain mills in Virginia. The event is designed to help historical interpreters and other museum professionals increase their knowledge of gristmilling traditions and their historical context.
1/25/2006	Virginia Union University	Discretionary	Museum Brochure Project	\$2,500.00	Funds to support production of an interpretive brochure focusing on the history and collections of the Virginia Union University Art Museum, which has significant collections of African and African American art.
2/21/2006	The Newsome House Museum & Cultural Center Foundation, Inc.	Discretionary	Remembering Rosa Parks	\$600.00	Funds to support a public lecture in connection with a historical re-enactment and exhibit commemorating the 50th anniversary of Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her seat on the bus in Montgomery, Alabama--one of the defining moments of the Civil Rights Movement.
3/7/2006	Virginia University of Lynchburg	Discretionary	Ota Benga	\$2,000.00	Funds to support a series of public programs marking the 90th anniversary of the death, in Lynchburg, of Ota Benga, a Pygmy who was brought to the U.S. in 1904 and exhibited in museums and zoos before being rescued and brought to Virginia. The series will also focus on the current plight of Pygmies in central Africa.
3/10/2006	Anne Spencer House and Garden Museum, Inc.	AFAM Mini	Pierce Street Renaissance Historic District First Anniversary Program	\$3,000.00	Funds to support an interpretive brochure and exhibit marking the first anniversary of the designation of the Prince street historic district. Prince Street is a historically black neighborhood in Lynchburg.
3/10/2006	Appalachian Children's Theater, Inc.	WTP	Exploring Our Roots through Traditional Arts	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a series of workshops focusing on traditional skills of the Appalachian Region and their historical and cultural context.

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3/10/2006	Arlington County	WTP	Let's Go! Community Expeditions and Explorations Summer Institute	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a 2006 summer teachers' institute designed to identify and explore strategies for integrating folklife and field work into existing public school curricula.
3/10/2006	Blue Cow Arts	Open	Virginia Folklife Workshop Porch	\$9,000.00	Funds to support a series of interpretive performances featuring traditional musicians to be presented as part of the 2006 Floydfest Music Festival.
3/10/2006	Carter Family Memorial Music Center	WTP	Carter Family Fold Songwriters Showcase - "Down the Road"	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a monthly interpretive songwriters' showcase at the Carter Family Fold, one the most important traditional music venues in Virginia.
3/10/2006	Emory and Henry College	Open	25th Annual Appalachian Literary Festival	\$5,000.00	Funds to support the 25th Appalachian Literary Festival, featuring writers and scholars from throughout the central Appalachian region.
3/10/2006	Ferrum College	Open	White Liquor, Blue Ridge Style	\$9,000.00	Funds to support production of an interpretive exhibit and accompanying publication on the history and folk culture of "moonshining" in Virginia's southern Blue Ridge mountains.
3/10/2006	Friends of the Blue Ridge Parkway, Inc.	Open	Blue Ridge Traditions, Lifestyles, Community and Family of the 1800s	\$7,350.00	Funds to support a series of lectures, performances, workshops, and demonstrations of music and other traditions native to the Blue Ridge Mountains of Central Virginia.
3/10/2006	Galax-Carroll Regional Library	Open	Musical Giants from the Heart of Southwest Virginia	\$8,400.00	Funds to support production of an interpretive photographic exhibit and publication focusing on old-time musicians from the Whitetop Mountain are of Virginia--a region that contains, perhaps, the richest concentration of old-time musicians in the world.
3/10/2006	Hampton University	AFAM Mini	Literary Reading Series	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a reading discussion series focusing on how African American authors include the heritage of black culture in their works.
3/10/2006	Honaker Redbud Festival, Inc.	WTP	Honaker Redbud Festival 25th Anniversary Support Project	\$3,000.00	Funds to support an interpretive performance and publication, as part of the 25th annual Redbud Festival in Russell County.
3/10/2006	Mt. Rogers Combined School	WTP	Mt. Rogers Community Music Program	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a series of interpretive performances and workshops featuring traditional musicians and luthiers of the Whitetop Mountain area.
3/10/2006	Northern Virginia Urban League	AFAM Mini	The Franklin and Armfield Office	\$3,000.00	Funds to support the development of a "Teaching with Historic Places" lesson plan, focusing on the Franklin and Armfield Office in Alexandria, a center of the slave trade in Virginia.
3/10/2006	Pamplin Historical Park	Open	Teaching Antebellum Slavery, the Civil War and Reconstruction	\$10,000.00	Funds to support a summer Institute for 4th, 5th, and 6th grade teachers, exploring the interrelated themes of slavery, the Civil War, and Reconstruction.
3/10/2006	Scrabble School	AFAM Mini	History of Scrabble	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a "community mapping project" as the first step in

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	Preservation Foundation		School Community Mapping Project		a long-term effort to interpret the history of Scrabble School, a Rosenwald School in Rappahannock County. Among other questions, this project will explore the importance of geography and distance in the larger story of African Americans' struggle to obtain education in a rural area prior to desegregation.
3/10/2006	The Prism Coffeehouse, Inc.	WTP	Elias Howe's Complete Preceptor for Banjo	\$3,000.00	Funds to support the re-publication of Elias Howe's 1850 manual, "The Complete Preceptor for Banjo," which is generally thought to be the seminal work on this subject.
3/10/2006	The Rose Group for Cross-Cultural Understanding	Open	China-America festival of Film and Culture	\$14,000.00	Funds to support the second annual China-America Festival of Film and Culture, a four-day event designed to address the need for better understanding between the U.S. and China.
3/10/2006	Tinner Hill Heritage Foundation	Open	Mary Ellen Henderson: A Teacher's Journey, A Traveling Exhibit	\$9,000.00	Funds to support production of a traveling exhibit on the life and achievements of Mary Ellen Henderson, a well known African American educator and Civil Rights activist in Falls Church.
3/10/2006	University of Virginia	WTP	African Music in Virginia: Cultural Survey	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a cultural survey of African musicians currently living in Northern Virginia and the Shenandoah Valley.
3/10/2006	Virginia Commonwealth University	Open	Teacher Workshop on China	\$6,000.00	Funds to support a two-day workshop for teachers focusing on Chinese history and culture, timed to coincide with the 2nd annual China-America Festival of Film and Culture in Richmond.
3/10/2006	Virginia Military Institute	AFAM Mini	The African American Community in 20th Century Lexington, Virginia	\$1,000.00	Funds to support a series of public lectures and the creation of a traveling exhibit on the Knights of Pythias Hall, an African American historic site adjacent to the VMI campus in Lexington.
3/10/2006	Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library	Open	History and the Web: Virginia and the Jim Crow South	\$6,000.00	Funds to support publication and distribution of educational materials generated for and during a three-day teachers' institute focusing on "Virginia and the Jim Crow South."
3/23/2006	Council for America's First Freedom	Discretionary	A Conference on America's First Freedom	\$2,500.00	Funds to support a conference on religious freedom, focusing in particular on the roots of this ideal in Virginia.
3/25/2006	Historical Society of Western Virginia	Discretionary	Museum Collections On-line Catalog	\$1,500.00	Funds to support the creation of an on-line catalog of the Historical Society's collections, focusing on the history and culture of Western Virginia, the Roanoke area in particular.
4/3/2006	Peninsula Fine Arts Center	Discretionary	Living With Art	\$2,000.00	Funds to support a series of three public lectures on African American art, to be presented in conjunction with an exhibit on more than seventy artworks in the Alitash Kebede collection. More than forty African Americans artists are represented. The focus of our support is on the interpretation of these works.
6/9/2006	Arts Enter Cape Charles	Open	A Theatre Lives: The Story of the Palace Theatre	\$5,000.00	Funds to support publication of a booklet on the history and architectural significance of the Palace Theatre in Cape Charles.

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6/9/2006	Berryville Main Street	Open	Roots of American Music	\$3,250.00	Funds to support a series of lectures and performance-discussion programs on American musical traditions entitled "The Roots of American Music."
6/9/2006	City of Harrisonburg	Open	African American Heritage Site Tour Booklet	\$8,000.00	Funds to support publication of a brochure/driving tour booklet on African American Heritage sites in Harrisonburg and Rockingham County.
6/9/2006	Friends of Fairview	Open	Fairview Cemetery Project	\$7,000.00	Funds to support portions of a community history project on African American history in Staunton, using a six-acre local cemetery as the springboard.
6/9/2006	Hampton University	Open	Literary Reading Series	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a panel discussion focusing on the ways in which stories express and engage their readers in the search for identity and "home."
6/9/2006	Isle of Wight County Museum Foundation, Inc.	Open	"Publique Ffaire"	\$7,000.00	Funds to support the re-creation of a "Publique Ffaire" similar to those that were licensed by the Virginia Colonial government in the seventeenth century to encourage trade and other forms of beneficial interchange between the colonists and local Indian tribes, the Nansemond in particular.
6/9/2006	Journey Through Hallowed Ground	Open	The Power of Place	\$10,000.00	Funds to support research leading to the creation of African American historic sites within the 175-mile historic corridor covered by the larger "Journey Through Hallowed Ground" project.
6/9/2006	Library of Virginia Foundation	Open	Freeing Art From Wood: The Sculptures of Leslie Garland Bolling	\$7,200.00	Funds to support development of an interpretive brochure and interactive video to accompany an exhibit of wood sculptures by the Virginia artist Leslie Garland Bolling, an African American born in Surry County in 1898 who worked and exhibited in Richmond and nationwide in the 1930s and 40s.
6/9/2006	Network of South Asian Professionals	Open	South Asian Literary and Theater Arts Festival (SALTAF)	\$5,000.00	Funds to support the sixth annual South Asian Literary and Theatre Arts Festival in 2006.
6/9/2006	Petersburg Garden Club	Open	Rediscovering the Forgotten Garden	\$8,000.00	Funds to support development of a website exhibit, printed materials, and public symposium on the history of Lee Park in Petersburg. The Park and its botanical preserve were created during the 1930s through an unusual collaborative effort involving black and white women from the Petersburg area.
6/9/2006	Prince William County Historic Preservation Division	Open	Lucasville School African American History Exhibition Project	\$10,000.00	Funds to support design and production of an exhibit and two related publications on the history of Lucasville School, a one-room school for African American children that is the only school building of its kind remaining in Prince William County.
6/9/2006	Renaissance Partners, Inc.	Open	National Folk Festival: Material Culture Exhibit	\$10,000.00	Funds to support a series of interpretive programs on "the working arts of Virginia," to be presented as part of the 2006 National Folk Festival in Richmond.
6/9/2006	Virginia Wesleyan	Open	Creationism, Evolution	\$5,000.00	Funds to support a public symposium on the subject of Creationism,

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	College		and Intelligent Design: Religion and Science in the Public Schools		Evolution, and Intelligent Design, exploring issues surrounding religion and the public schools.
6/9/2006	Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art	Open	Decoy Carving Traditions of Virginia's Eastern Shore	\$9,000.00	Funds to support the 2006 annual Chesapeake Waterfowl Expo, focusing on decoy carving and related traditions native to Virginia's Eastern Shore.
6/9/2006	Washington and Lee University	Open	Not Unmindful of the Future: The Educational Visions of George Washington and Robert E. Lee	\$6,250.00	Funds to support planning for a series of exhibits and related programs, all focusing on various aspects of the lives, character, and educational contributions of George Washington and Robert E. Lee.
6/14/2006	Virginia Foundation for Community College Education	Discretionary	The Greater Good	\$2,000.00	Funds to support the keynote address and post-lecture discussion at the 2006 annual meeting of the State Board for Community Colleges, to be attended by representatives from each of Virginia's two-year public colleges. The focus is on the relationship between philanthropy and higher education.
7/7/2006	The Montpelier Foundation	Discretionary	Interpretive Display	\$2,000.00	Funds to support development of interpretive signage for the recently-discovered "Madison-era Agriculture complex" at Montpelier.
7/10/2006	Afro-American Historical Association of Fauquier County	Discretionary	Virginia Emigrants to Liberia	\$2,500.00	Funds to support the expansion of an existing database of Virginians--emancipated slaves and free blacks--who emigrated from Virginia to Liberia between 1820 and 1866.
7/10/2006	University of Virginia	Discretionary	Nura Ward Residency	\$0.00	Funds to support a two-week residency devoted to the art and culture of the aboriginal Pitjantjatjara people of central Australia featuring Nura Ward, a Pitjantjatjara leader, and in conjunction with a separate but related exhibition of fifteen works by Pitjantjatjara painters.
7/25/2006	American Focus, Incorporated	WTP	"Crooked Road" Documentary	\$3,000.00	Funds to support planning and pre-production costs for a one-hour documentary film on the 'Crooked Road," Virginia's Music Heritage Trail.
7/27/2006	Barrier Islands Center	Discretionary	Islands From the Sky	\$2,500.00	Funds to support a series of events exploring the history, culture, and ecology of Virginia's barrier islands and how those are interrelated.
7/27/2006	Park Partners, Inc.	Discretionary	Gloucester History Video	\$1,500.00	Funds to support production of a documentary video on the history of Gloucester County, focusing in particular on Powhatan Indian history and culture.
7/27/2006	Sully Historic Site	Discretionary	Forgotten Road Brochure	\$2,000.00	Funds to support printing and mailing costs for a brochure on the history of slavery and slave life at Sully Plantation in Fairfax County.
7/27/2006	Virginia Law Foundation	Discretionary	Virginia's Judicial History--The Blueprint for Our Country	\$1,500.00	Funds to support planning for a one-hour documentary film entitled "Virginia's Judicial History--A Blueprint for Our Country."
7/28/2006	Historic Fincastle, Inc.	Discretionary	Oral History Pilot	\$2,000.00	Funds to support a pilot oral history project focusing on the cultural

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					and social life of Fincastle, Virginia (Botetourt County) during the 20-year period from 1930-1950.
8/18/2006	Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society	Discretionary	Onancock Signature, 2007	\$2,500.00	Funds to support the publication of a history of the Town of Onancock, which is being produced to coincide with the Town's observance of 2007.
9/19/2006	Council for America's First Freedom	Discretionary	Conference on America's First Freedom	\$2,500.00	Funds to support a one-day conference exploring the subject of religious freedom in America. The conference features a keynote address by former Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, will result in a publication, and in a collaborative effort involving the Council, the "Journal of American History," and the Marshall-Wythe School of Law.
9/19/2006	Fredericksburg Area Museum and Cultural Center	Discretionary	The Civil Rights Movement in Virginia	\$1,500.00	Funds to support a lecture by the noted journalist Juan Williams, presented in conjunction with a traveling exhibit on the Civil Rights Movement in Virginia.
10/19/2006	Chincoteague Cultural Alliance	Open	Eastern Shore Native American Festival	\$2,500.00	Funds to support portions of a Native American Festival, focusing on the tribes that were indigenous to what is now the Eastern Shore of Virginia at the time of English settlement, and whose descendants and current members still live there.
10/19/2006	Christopher Newport University	Discretionary	The Thieves of Baghdad	\$1,000.00	Funds to support a public lecture and book discussion program featuring Matthew Bogdanos, author of "The Thieves of Baghdad," which deals with the theft and attempt to recover the antiquities taken from the Iraq Museum during the fall of the city and of Saddam Hussein in April, 2003.
10/19/2006	Thomas Nelson Community College Educational Foundation, Inc.	Discretionary	Jamestown, 1607-2007: Historic Lecture Series	\$1,000.00	Funds to support a four-part lecture series in conjunction with the 2007 anniversary. The focus is on the 17th century history of the Jamestown area and subsequent archaeological work.
10/19/2006	Virginia Association of Museums	Discretionary	2007 Virginia Association of Museums Conference	\$2,500.00	Funds to support the participation of museum professionals from Great Britain in the 2007 annual conference of the Virginia Association of Museums.
11/15/2006	Thomas Balch Library	Discretionary	250th Anniversary Lecture Series	\$2,000.00	Funds to support a four-part lecture series commemorating the 400th anniversary of Virginia and the 250th anniversary of Loudoun County in 2007.
12/5/2006	Legacy Museum of African American History	Discretionary	Slave Cabin Documentation	\$1,500.00	Funds to support archaeological and documentary research on two nineteenth century slave cabins located within the current Lynchburg city limits. In the near future, one of these structures is to be moved to Legacy Museum, the other to Popular Forest, where they will become part of the interpretation at each site.
12/8/2006	American Focus, Incorporated	Open	The Crooked Road Documentary Film Project	\$7,500.00	Funds to support research and planning for a one-hour documentary film on traditional string music of the "Crooked Road," a region that follows Rt. 58 through Southwest Virginia from the Blue Ridge

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12/8/2006	Boat People SOS	Open	Vietnamese-American Cultural Odyssey	\$1,500.00	Funds to support expansion of an interpretative photographic exhibit documenting the stories of Vietnamese refugees and immigrant families and exploring the 30-year history of the Vietnamese American community in Northern Virginia.
12/8/2006	James River Association	Open	Chickahominy River -- John Smith Trail	\$10,000.00	Funds to support the establishment of an historic Water Trail along the navigable portions of the Chickahominy River, part of the larger "Captain John Smith Historic Water Trail" project being developed during Virginia's 400th anniversary in July.
12/8/2006	Norfolk State University Foundation, Inc.	Open	Voices from Within the Veil, a Conference in Conjunction with Jamestown 2007	\$5,000.00	Funds to support a three-day conference exploring the rights of African Americans in U.S. history, presented as one of eight "Democracy Conferences" designated by the Federal 2007 Commission.
12/8/2006	Ralph Stanley Museum & Traditional Mountain Music Center	Open	Dickenson County Heritage Music Project	\$3,500.00	Funds to support production and distribution of a music CD with interpretative liner notes exploring the musical legacy of Billy Gene Mullins, a well-known songwriter, performer, and member of the influential Mullins family of Dickenson County, Virginia.
12/8/2006	Southwest Virginia Public Library Directors Group	Open	Lessons of Jamestown	\$10,400.00	Funds to support a series of lectures and book discussions to be held at eight public libraries in Southwest Virginia during 2007.
12/8/2006	Sultana Projects, Inc.	Open	The Captain John Smith Four Hundred Project	\$9,450.00	Funds to support design and fabrication of an exhibit on John Smith's explorations of the Chesapeake Bay, to be displayed initially as part of the Captain John Smith's 400 Project's re-enactment voyage.
12/8/2006	Trees Virginia	Open	Remarkable Trees of Virginia	\$5,000.00	Funds to support research and documentation leading to the publication of a book connecting the most "remarkable" trees of Virginia with human history.
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12/8/2006	University of Virginia	Open	Virginia and Liberia: A window into Slave and Free Black Life in the Old Dominion - A Digital History Project	\$9,000.00	Funds to support planning, research, and the development of humanities (historical) content devoted to the stories of approximately 3,700 African American Virginians who left Virginia for Liberia between 1820 and 1865.
12/8/2006	Virginia Association of Museums	Open	The Virginia Museum Fundamentals Forum	\$10,000.00	Funds to support a three-day intensive museum training program designed to serve the needs of staff, board members, and key volunteers at small and emerging museums (including historic sites) statewide.
12/8/2006	Virginia Historical Society	Open	"Sweet Dreams' -- The Life and Times of Patsy Cline"	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a three-day symposium on the life of country music singer Patsy Cline, her musical legacy and her influence on American popular culture.

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			Symposium		
12/8/2006	Virginia Historical Society	Open	"Sweet Dreams' -- The Life and Times of Patsy Cline" Symposium	\$3,000.00	Shenandoah University has been replaced by the Virginia Historical Society as the sponsoring organization; the VHS has assumed full responsibility for administering the grant funds. Project director, fiscal officer, interim and final report dates have changed accordingly.
12/8/2006	Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance	Open	The Art of Surviving: Violence and Expression	\$6,000.00	Funds to support a series of lectures and development of an interpretative exhibit on the immediate and long-term effects of sexual violence and how the humanities can be useful in the "art" of surviving this experience.
12/8/2006	Virginia State University	Open	The Petersburg Oral History Project	\$10,000.00	Funds to support an oral history project including more than one hundred interviews with local residents and a publication focusing on the Civil Rights movement in Petersburg and on Petersburg's contributions to the movement nationwide.
12/8/2006	Virginia Wesleyan College	Open	From Jamestown to Jefferson: The Evolution of Religious Authority in Colonial Virginia	\$5,000.00	Funds to support a series of twelve lecture discussion programs focusing on the role of religion in the lives of people living in Virginia during the Colonial Period.
12/8/2006	World Affairs Council of Greater Hampton Roads	Open	Great Decisions 2007	\$4,500.00	Funds to support an eight-part lecture discussion series on current topics related to American foreign policy, international relations and global affairs.
12/12/2006	Urban Alternatives Foundation	Discretionary	A History of Columbia Pike	\$2,500.00	Funds to support the first phase of a large-scale research and oral history project to document the buildings, people and traditions of Columbia Pike in Arlington, one of the most ethnically and culturally diverse neighborhoods in Virginia.