

## FUNDING ALERTS 02/26/09

The University of Florida's Smathers Libraries Grants Program staff is experimenting with a new electronic format for informing the university community about grants, fellowships, and award funding opportunities. If you are not a member of the Library faculty or staff and would like to receive future Funding Alerts, please submit your email address, name and department to Kelley Cunningham, [kelcunn@uflib.ufl.edu](mailto:kelcunn@uflib.ufl.edu). Comments about this pilot project and funding opportunities you would like to share with others are welcome.

Because of formatting differences in Microsoft Word and Microsoft Outlook, you may want to view this funding alert as a pdf document. Please look [here](#).

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## I. Funding for Libraries, Librarians, and Library Science Students

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### 1. Challenge Grant: Digital Humanities Initiative (DHI)

Deadline: March 10, 2009\*

Award Amount: \$1,000,000

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is interested in receiving applications for projects that use or study the impact of digital technology. Digital technologies offer humanists new methods of conducting research, conceptualizing relationships, and presenting scholarship. Digital humanities projects deploy these technologies and methods to enhance our understanding of a topic or issue. NEH is also interested in projects that study the impact of digital technology on the humanities—exploring the ways in which it changes how we read, write, think, and learn.

The Endowment particularly encourages plans to strengthen technological infrastructure, thereby enhancing the applicant institution's ability to make use of new technologies in research, education, preservation, and public programming in the humanities. Challenge funds may be used, for example, to purchase equipment and software, renovate computing centers devoted to the humanities, and purchase databases. Through endowments, challenge funds can support maintenance and upgrades of equipment, software, and data; licensing fees; salaries of technical staff; faculty and staff training in uses of digital technology; and other ongoing expenses associated with uses of digital technology in the humanities.

*\*The DHI Challenge Grant program is a limited application. Only one application from an institution will be considered. Those interested in applying must submit a preliminary proposal to the Office of Research (ATTN: Mary Vallianatos, mvallian@ufl.edu) by MARCH 10, 2009 for internal coordination. Preproposals should consist of a 1-2 page project description, list of participants and an estimated budget. UF's chosen full proposal is due at NEH on May 1, 2009.*

<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/challenge.html>

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## 2. Kennedy Library Research Grants

Deadline: March 15, 2009

Award Amount: \$500-\$2,500

Each year in the spring and fall, The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation provides funds for the award of a number of research grants.

The purpose of these grants is to help defray living, travel, and related costs incurred while doing research in the textual and non-textual holdings of the library. Scholars and students are invited to apply for these research grants.

Grant applications are evaluated on the basis of expected utilization of available holdings of the Library, the degree to which they address research needs in Kennedy period studies, and the qualifications of applicants. Preference is given to dissertation research by Ph.D. candidates working in newly opened or relatively unused collections, and to the work of recent Ph.D. recipients who are expanding or revising their dissertations for publication, but all proposals are welcome and will receive careful consideration.

<http://www.jfklibrary.org/JFK+Library+and+Museum/Kennedy+Library+Foundation/Programs+and+Library+Support/Research+Grants+and+Fellowships/Kennedy+Research+Grants.htm>

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## 3. Association of College and Research Libraries Travel Grants for National Library Legislative Day

Deadline: March 20, 2009

Award Amount: \$250

Are you interested in federal legislation and policy affecting libraries, connected in your campus community, and willing to work with your members of Congress for change? ACRL needs you!

This is a very challenging time economically for libraries as it is for all of American society. On the other hand, it is also a time of great opportunity for anyone interested in the well-being of libraries and the furtherance of issues essential to the free exchange of information and other core beliefs of academic and research librarians. Both ACRL President Erika Linke and ALA President Jim Retting (himself an academic librarian) have made advocacy a key focus of their presidencies.

ACRL recognizes that travel funding is tight and believes in the importance of academic librarians participating in National Library Legislative Day. In light of ACRL President Erika Linke's focus on legislative advocacy, ACRL is pleased to announce the availability of up to \$250 each for 10 individuals to attend National Library Legislative Day (NLLD) in Washington, DC on May 11-12, 2009.

<http://www.scangrants.com/grant/2009/3/20/association-of-college-and-research-libraries-travel-grants-for-national-library-legislative-day-may-1112-2009.aspx>

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#### 4. Preservation Access Grants for Smaller Institutions

Deadline: May 14, 2009

Award Amount: \$6,000

Preservation Assistance Grants help institutions—particularly small and mid-sized institutions—improve their ability to preserve and care for their humanities collections, including special collections of books and journals, archives and manuscripts, prints and photographs, moving images, sound recordings, architectural and cartographic records, decorative and fine arts, textiles, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, furniture, and historical objects. Institutions such as libraries, museums, historical societies, archival repositories, arts and cultural organizations, and town and county records offices are encouraged to apply.

<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/pag.html>

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#### 5. Digitizing Historical Records

Deadline: Draft Deadline (optional): April 1, 2009, Final Deadline: June 5, 2009

Award Amount: \$150,000

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission promotes the preservation and use of America's documentary heritage essential to understanding our democracy, history, and culture. The Commission seeks proposals that use cost-effective methods to digitize nationally significant historical record collections and make the digital versions freely available online. Projects must make use of existing holdings of historical repositories and consist of entire collections or series. The materials should already be available to the public at the archives and described so that projects can re-use existing information to serve as metadata for the digitized collection.

<http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/digitizing.html>

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## II. Funding for Organizations and Academic Institutions

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#### 1. Save Our History

Deadline: June 5, 2009

Award Amount: \$10,000

Applicants must design a project in partnership with a local school(s) or youth group(s). The Save Our History Grant Review Panel will judge submitted applications based on the following three key criteria:

1. Proposed projects must focus on exploring and preserving a significant aspect of community history.

Projects might focus on the history and/or efforts to help preserve a neighborhood, building, cemetery, historic site, historic collections, or an historic event or tradition that is important to the local community. The project could include primary research, physical preservation or clean up efforts, historical documentation, archaeological or architectural studies, oral histories, exhibits, efforts to register or advocate for a site for national, state, or local historic landmark status, etc.

2. Proposed projects must raise awareness among students and community members about the significance of their local heritage and the importance of preserving it.
3. Proposed projects must include a tangible resource that captures students' effort to learn about and preserve their local history in a unique, creative way.

[http://www.history.com/content/saveourhistory/grant-program/grant-application#program\\_components](http://www.history.com/content/saveourhistory/grant-program/grant-application#program_components)

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## 2. The Comcast Foundation: Literacy and Diversity Programs

Deadline: None

Award Amount: \$10,000-\$25,000

Comcast and The Comcast Foundation invest in organizations that assist its communities with literacy, youth leadership development and community service programs. Its goal is to maximize the impact of our investments so they yield tangible, measurable benefits to our neighborhoods and the people who live there. Here are two of the five areas of interest that the Comcast Foundation supports:

### The Comcast Literacy Fund

Through the Comcast Literacy Fund, the foundation supports programs designed to develop reading skills, numeracy, computer literacy, English-as-a-second-language, and media literacy.

### The Diversity Fund

Through the Diversity Fund, the foundation supports programs designed to provide workforce development and job training; teach literacy; develop youth leaders; and promote volunteerism and community service to help raise cultural awareness of diverse groups.

<http://www.comcast.com/corporate/about/inthecommunity/foundation/comcastfoundation.html>

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## 3. National Projects that Support the Professional Nonprofit Dance, Jazz, Presenting and/or Theatre Fields

Deadline: Letters of Inquiry: May 1, 2009 Full proposal (upon invitation): June 1, 2009

Award Amount: \$60,000-\$200,000

Organizations are encouraged to submit letters of inquiry for projects that strengthen the national infrastructure of the professional nonprofit dance, jazz, presenting and/or theatre fields, or that improve conditions for the national community of

performing artists in dance, jazz and theatre, such as:

- Research projects assessing the national health of professional nonprofit arts groups or of individual professional artists;
- Special national convenings for entire professional nonprofit performing arts fields (beyond traditional national annual conferences);
- Special projects that address unique circumstances that affect an entire professional nonprofit field.

<http://www.ddcf.org/page.asp?pagelid=700>

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### III. Funding for Individuals

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#### 1. Fellowship for Advanced Social Research on Japan

Deadline: March 3 – May 1, 2009

Award Amount: \$50,400 for a twelve month award period

The Fellowship Program for Advanced Social Science Research on Japan is a joint activity of the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission (JUSFC) and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Awards support research on modern Japanese society and political economy, Japan's international relations, and U.S.-Japan relations. The program encourages innovative research that puts these subjects in wider regional and global contexts and is comparative and contemporary in nature. Research should contribute to scholarly knowledge or to the general public's understanding of issues of concern to Japan and the United States.

Disciplines include: anthropology, economics, geography, history, international relations, linguistics, political science, psychology, public administration, and sociology.

<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/fellowships-japan.html>

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#### 2. Fellowship for Advanced Social Research on Italian Cultural Heritage

Deadline: March 3, 2009 to May 1, 2009

Award Amount: \$50,400 for a twelve month award

Fellowships support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to scholars and general audiences in the humanities.

Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, and other scholarly tools.

Fellowships support continuous full-time work for a period of six to twelve months.

Fellowships may not be used for:

- curricular or pedagogical methods, theories, or surveys;

- preparation or revision of textbooks;
- projects that seek to promote a particular political, philosophical, religious, or ideological point of view;
- projects that advocate a particular program of social action;
- works in the creative and performing arts, i.e., painting, writing fiction or poetry, dance performance, etc.; or
- Doctoral dissertations or theses.

<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/fellowships.html>

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### 3. Ethics in Public Communication Grants

Deadline: March 6, 2009

Award Amount: \$1,000-\$25,000

The Arthur Page Center for Integrity in Public Communications at Pennsylvania State University's College of Communications, will administer these grants. Grants will be given to scholars and professionals in all career stages to study ethics in public communications. Editors, journalists, public relations professionals, researchers, and scholars may apply. Doctoral candidates who have completed their coursework and exams and are at the dissertation-writing stage during the year of the award are also eligible.

<http://www.ethicshare.org/node/392537>

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### 4. Entrepreneur Research: Kauffman Junior Faculty Fellowships

Deadline: Application submitted Online by noon on March 9, 2009

Award amount: \$50,000 payable over two years

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2009-2010 Kauffman Junior Faculty Fellowship in Entrepreneurship Research. The Kauffman Foundation established the annual Kauffman Junior Faculty Fellowship in Entrepreneurship Research in 2008 to recognize tenured or tenure-track junior faculty members at accredited U.S. universities who are beginning to establish a record of scholarship and exhibit the potential to make significant contributions to the body of research in the field of entrepreneurship. The Kauffman Foundation awards up to five fellowships per year to junior faculty members from universities across the United States.

<http://www.kauffman.org/research-and-policy/kauffman-junior-faculty-fellowship-in-entrepreneurship.aspx>

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### 5. John F. Kennedy Library Foundation Fellowships: Foreign Intelligence/ Presidency or a Related Field

Deadline: March 15, 2009

Award amount: \$2,500

Scholars are invited by the Kennedy Library to apply for the Marjorie Kovler Research Fellowship. This fellowship is administered by the John F. Kennedy

Library Foundation from funds provided by the Marjorie Blum Kovler Foundation, one of Chicago's most prominent philanthropic organizations. The fellowship is intended to support a scholar in the production of a substantial work in the area of foreign intelligence and the presidency or a related topic. The successful candidate will develop at least a portion of her or his work from original research in archival materials from the collections of the Kennedy Library.

<http://www.jfklibrary.org/JFK+Library+and+Museum/Kennedy+Library+Foundation/Programs+and+Library+Support/Research+Grants+and+Fellowships/Marjorie+Kovler+Research+Fellowship.htm>

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6. John F. Kennedy Library Foundation Fellowships: Immigration, Naturalization, or Refugee Policy

Deadline: March 15, 2009

Award Amount: \$3,100

Scholars are invited to apply for the Abba P. Schwartz Research Fellowship. This fellowship is administered by the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation from funds provided by the family, friends, and colleagues of Abba Schwartz. Mr. Schwartz served in the Kennedy Administration as Assistant Secretary of State for Security and Consular Affairs. The fellowship is intended to support a scholar in the production of a substantial research work in the areas of immigration, naturalization, or refugee policy.

<http://www.jfklibrary.org/JFK+Library+and+Museum/Kennedy+Library+Foundation/Programs+and+Library+Support/Research+Grants+and+Fellowships/Abba+P.+Schwartz+Research+Fellowship.htm>

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7. John F. Kennedy Library Foundation Fellowship: Domestic Policy, Political Journalism, Polling, Press Relations or a Related Topic

Deadline: March 15, 2009

Award Amount: \$3,600

Scholars are invited to apply for the Theodore C. Sorensen Research Fellowship. This fellowship is administered by the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation from funds provided by Mr. Sorensen, who headed John F. Kennedy's staff during his eight years as a senator and served as his Special Counsel during his three years as president. It is intended to support a scholar in the production of a substantial work in the areas of domestic policy, political journalism, polling, press relations or a related topic. The successful candidate will develop at least a portion of her or his work from original research in archival materials from the collections of the Kennedy Library.

<http://www.jfklibrary.org/JFK+Library+and+Museum/Kennedy+Library+Foundation/Programs+and+Library+Support/Research+Grants+and+Fellowships/Theodore+C.+Sorensen+Fellowship.htm>

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8. Gerald R. Ford Library Foundation Research Travel Grants

Deadline: March 15, 2009

Award amount; \$2,000

The Gerald R. Ford Foundation awards grants of up to \$2,000 each in support of research in the holdings of the Gerald R. Ford Library. A grant defrays travel, living, and photocopy expenses of a research trip to the Ford Library. Overseas applicants are welcome to apply, but they will be responsible for the costs of travel between their home country and North America. The grants only cover travel within North America.

Library collections focus on Federal policies, U.S. foreign relations, and national politics in the 1960s and 1970s. There are earlier and later materials depending upon your topic

<http://www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov/library/foundationgrants.asp>

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9. Graduate Assistance: Science, Computer and Information Sciences, Engineering, Math, and Nursing

Deadline: March 16, 2009

Award amount: \$128,628-\$214,380

This program provides fellowships, through academic departments and programs of Institutes of Higher Education (IHEs), to assist graduate students with excellent records who demonstrate financial need and plan to pursue the highest degree available in their course study at the institution in a field designated as an area of national need. A project must provide fellowships in one or more of the following areas of national need: biology; chemistry; computer and information sciences; engineering; mathematics; nursing; and physics.

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/gaann/applicant.html>

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10. Hagley Museum and Library Fellowships: History of American Enterprise

Deadline: March 31, 2009

Award Amount: Stipends are for a minimum of two months and a maximum of six months at no more than \$1,600 per month.

Hagley's collections document the interaction between business and the cultural, social, and political dimensions of our society from the late 18th century to the present. Fellowships honor the memory of Henry Belin du Pont, a founding trustee and long-time supporter of Hagley. The Henry Belin du Pont Memorial Fund supports access to and use of Hagley's research collections in the Hagley Museum and Library. They enable scholars to pursue advanced research and study in the library, archival, and artifact collections of the Hagley Museum and Library. Applicants must be from out of state and preference will be given to those whose travel costs to Hagley will be higher. Fellows are expected to participate in seminars which meet periodically, as well as attend noontime colloquia, lectures, and other public programs offered during their tenure. Low-cost accommodations may be available on the museum grounds.

<http://www.hagley.org/library/center/hbdupontfellow.html>

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11. AmeriCorps State Competitive Grants

Deadline: April 17, 2009

Award amount: \$12,600

AmeriCorps is a national service program that provides opportunities for citizens to serve their country and community in local communities. Each year participants of AmeriCorps, called Members join a local program and provide specific intensive, community services such as tutoring students, teaching community residents about issues directly affecting them, and other activities that strengthen communities. The grant award spans a period of three years but is renewable annually subject to performance reviews, availability of federal funds, and progress towards sustainability.

<http://www.volunteerflorida.org/grantinfo.html>

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12. World of Children Annual Awards Program

Deadline: April 17, 2009

Award Amount: \$50,000

The World of Children Awards program was created to recognize and elevate those selfless individuals who make a difference in the lives of children across the globe, regardless of political, religious or geographical boundaries.

The World of Children honors these leaders, and grants them funds to support the proven, high-impact programs they have created. These awards assure that more children's lives will be touched, and changed, forever. World of Children recognizes and elevates selfless individuals who make a difference in the lives of children across the globe.

The 2009 Awards are:

- 2009 Humanitarian Award
- 2009 Health Award
- 2009 Founder's Youth Award

<http://www.worldofchildren.org/Awards.htm>

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### 13. Unsung Heroes Award Program for Teachers

Deadline: April 30, 2009

Award Amount: Top winner-\$25,000, Second place-\$10,000, third place-\$5,000.

Are you an educator with a class project that is short on funding but long on potential? Do you know a teacher looking for grant dollars? ING Unsung Heroes® could help you turn great ideas into reality for students. Grants for full time teachers employed at accredited U.S. Public or private schools may apply.

<http://www.ingusa.com/us/stellent2/groups/dc/documents/companyinformation/001143.pdf>

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