

FILM & VIDEO GRANTS

- **The Story of Us: The Women Who Shaped Montana Episodes 2 & 3, The Extreme History Project, Bozeman, MT, \$10,000.** This captivating, Emmy-nominated documentary series delves into the untold stories of remarkable women who have left an indelible mark on the history of Montana. Through compelling storytelling, archival pictures, interviews, and expert commentary, the documentary showcases these unsung heroines' resilience, determination, and contributions. These episodes will include the stories of five women: Rose Lee Hum, Helen Clarke, Rose Gordon, Ella Knowles Haskell, and Fannie Sperry Steele.
- **We are the Light from the Shadows, MAPS Media Institute, Hamilton, MT, \$10,000.** This profound and expansive story delves into the painful history of Indian Boarding Schools and their devastating impact on Native Indigenous communities. It follows Amilia Blackcrow and other Indigenous youth from Fort Belknap as they seek answers about the intergenerational trauma and social and economic problems that haunt their community. They confront the horrific legacy of Indian boarding schools with guidance from respected Tribal elder Donovan Archambault, a boarding school survivor himself. The film is a tribute to the resilience of the Fort Belknap Indian Community and a call to honor Native Indigenous heritage and wisdom in addressing historical wounds.
- **Star & Stories: Northern Cheyenne, the Morning Star People, Montana State University Billings, Billings, MT, \$9,585.** Star & Stories is a collaborative planetarium video project between Montana State University Billings and the Northern Cheyenne Tribe. This video delves into the rich oral and written traditions of the Northern Cheyenne people, focusing on the linguistic intricacies of their language and the translation of culturally significant stories. The project presents two key stories: The Seven Stars and Bear Woman, which are linked to the constellations Pleiades, Hercules, and Corona Borealis. Intending to document and share cultural knowledge while fostering an appreciation for the tribe's unique perspectives, this project hopes to pave the way for future cultural preservation initiatives.
- **Bitterroot at War: The Vietnam Era, Ravalli County Museum, Hamilton, MT, \$7,000.** This documentary, created in commemoration of the end of the Vietnam War, highlights the experiences of five local Vietnam Veterans. It aims to spark greater understanding and honor those who served by sharing the overall history of the war through the eyes of those who lived it. The film will be screened at Ravalli County Museum in March of 2025 and will be available on the museum's website and shared with the Montana History Portal. There will also be a distribution within the Ravalli County school system to create connections between generations.

COMMUNITY PROJECT GRANTS (OVER \$2,000)

- **2024 Dillon Community Story Stroll, Dillon Public Library, Dillon, MT, \$7,300.** This project is a collaboration between the Dillon Public Library, Dillon School District 10, and the University of Montana Western to create a community story stroll that is written by eighth and first-grade classes, produced by the college, and distributed by the library. The 2024 Story Stroll will be based on three mentor texts: *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*, "What If You Had...", and "Choose your own Story." The story debuts at the Night of Excellence at the elementary school, where family and community members can participate and stroll through the storyboards. The story will then be displayed at the UM Western graduation for the family members of the college students to enjoy. Following the college, the story will be placed throughout the local community parks, trails, and stores for community members to continue to enjoy the story throughout the summer and again returning to the college for orientation weekend.
- **The Centering Indigenous Knowledge Webinar Series, Montana Campus Compact - University of Montana, Missoula, MT, \$7,666.** This initiative facilitated through Montana Campus Compact, involves a comprehensive four-part webinar series highlighting indigenous scholars' contributions. The series, *Centering Indigenous Knowledge*, will take place in March 2024 and is open to both Montanans and individuals interested in participating. The central theme, 'Indigenous People and Place,' will bring together contemporary scholars and campus practitioners to explore knowledge related to individuals and locations. Presenters for this series include Dakota Lajeunesse, Dr. Anita Moore-Nall, Aspen Decker, Mikalen Running Fisher, Jaylee Azure, Jeanette Gardipe, and Alfred Woodcock. Each presenter will delve into a specific professional topic, contributing valuable insights to the public understanding of Montana's Indigenous peoples, cultures, and ways of life.
- **Bringing the World to Eastern Montana and Eastern Montana to the World, World Affairs Council of Montana, Missoula, MT, \$5,000.** The Montana World Affairs Council (MWAC) will expand its Distinguished Speaker Programs in eastern Montana to engage citizens in civil discourse on key international dynamics through a new program and partnership with MSU Billings. "Bringing the World to Eastern Montana and Eastern Montana to the World" will bring a range of internationally renowned experts, from Montana and beyond, to discussions about global dynamics that impact our communities, state, and nation. MWAC's partnership with MSU Billings' Office of International Studies, in their Yellowstone Consortium for International Studies and Foreign Languages, a multi-year Title VI UISFL (Department of Education) grant will support programming in Billings, and at Little Big Horn College, Miles Community College, and Dawson Community College.

- **Secrets of the Vault, Holter Museum of Art, Helena, MT, \$6,352.** *Secrets of The Vault* is a lecture series hosted by The Holter Museum of Art to highlight their history-rich permanent collection. The Holter is the steward of an important permanent collection that encompasses the rich legacy of the arts in Montana going back to the first Modernist artists in Montana. The collection contains artwork created as early as the early 1900s through as late as 2023. Artists, art historians, and cultural and humanities experts will each choose art pieces from the collection and share valuable insights, unique perspectives, unknown-till-now facts, and unveil the secrets behind the artwork, the artist, and the social and historical contexts in which the art was created. Attendees will embark on a journey where intellect, discussion, creativity, and the humanities converge. Featuring a diverse range of historians and other lecturers, they aim to bring to life the contextual history of exemplary art for a new generation of art history lovers. Lectures will take place from June through November 2024.
- **The Montana Antiques Appraisal Fair, The Foundation for Montana History, Helena, MT, \$7,020.** The Montana Antiques Appraisal Fair event in Kalispell brings two celebrity appraisers together with the community to provide historical interpretation and conversation about the objects attendees hold dear. The event will take place in October in partnership with the Northwest History Museum. The event offers a highly accessible option for everyday Montanans to learn more about the history and stories of their treasures and understand an object's power to connect us with the past.
- **Water in the Bitterroot: What We Talk about When We Talk about Water, Bitterroot Water Partnership, Hamilton, MT, \$3,534.** This project is an interactive museum exhibit to facilitate learning, reflecting, and acting in water conservation and community perspectives and connections in the Bitterroot Valley. The Bitterroot Water Partnership in collaboration with MAPS Media Institute, Sierra Giedeon, and other community partners will host the one-month-long exhibit at Explore the Arts Gallery in downtown Hamilton, MT. The exhibit is designed to create an asynchronous community dialogue around shared values and collective action.
- **Cree Language Revitalization Initiative, Mahchiwminahnahtik Chippewa Cree Language Revitalization, Box Elder, MT, \$10,000.** MCCLR aims to revitalize the Chippewa and Cree languages through education and cultural workshops, preserving their heritage. This initiative strengthens community bonds and empowers future generations by increasing the number of Cree speakers, ensuring their culture's longevity. Project activities center on the Rocky Boy's Reservation and extend into surrounding communities. Classes, workshops, and events are held

at community centers, schools, and online.

- **UM Summer Journalism Camp, University of Montana, Missoula, MT, \$8,000.** The University of Montana School of Journalism and the Montana Media Lab are committed to improving students' media literacy and journalism skills. The Montana Summer Journalism Camp will be a four-day immersive audio journalism and media literacy camp for high school students from around the region. Students will attend workshops and lectures on journalism and media, and do hands-on reporting while gaining valuable exposure to the college experience.
- **The 1918 Influenza: Film & Conversation, University of Montana, Missoula, MT, \$7,800.** The 1918 Influenza: Film & Conversation will host screenings of the historical documentary film, *Blue Death: The 1918 Influenza in Montana*, and discussion panels with expert presenters in Browning, Glacier NP, Columbus, Red Lodge, Billings, Crow Agency, Forsyth, Missoula, and White Sulphur Springs. Community members are invited to view the film and participate in a Q&A with local experts to discuss the cultural and historical insights developed within the film and explore themes of loss, resilience, individualism, and community in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Butterflies & Railroad Ties: Update & Printing, North Missoula Community Development Corporation - Moon-Randolph Homestead, Missoula, MT, \$6,000.** For 20 years, the chapbook *Butterflies & Railroad Ties* was the go-to resource for education, stewardship, and historic preservation at the Moon-Randolph Homestead in Missoula. This revised edition seeks to improve the interpretation of Séliš-Qlispé history, update historical information on buildings and structures, provide more context on the transition from a declining ranch to a community gathering place, and enhance the accessibility and quality of information publicly available on the site.
- **Northwest Montana Book Festival, Northwest Montana Historical Society, Kalispell, MT, \$4,174.** The Northwest Montana Book Festival will gather readers and writers to celebrate the region's rich literary history. Topics will include a history of the book and bookbinding, tips on using the library collection, how to research and use history in writing, and a presentation highlighting a formative summer F. Scott Fitzgerald spent in Montana and its influence on his work. The event intends to promote an appreciation of the diversity of writers and topics found in Northwest Montana literature. The Northwest Montana History Museum hopes to continue this as an annual event celebrating and inspiring regional writing.
- **History Day for All in Montana, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT, \$9,959.** National History Day in Montana is an educational outreach program that engages students in historical

inquiry and project-based learning. The main program is a social studies competition relating to an annual theme, this year “Rights and Responsibilities”. History Day for All will provide travel support for schools to take their students to regional, state, and national competitions. Schools that receive support will be expected to showcase student History Day projects at their school, a local library, a historical organization, a museum, or other community event space. These showcases will celebrate student work while engaging the local community in the annual theme.

- **Living Stories of Jewish Montana, Montana Jewish Project, Helena, MT, \$10,000.** This oral history initiative will collect the stories of Montana’s Jewish community and create a web exhibit featuring interviews, photographs, and documents. Public presentations will take place at libraries, community centers, and synagogues. The project aims to build more cohesive interfaith communities that value Jewish life and history and that bridge the vast geographical distances between Montana communities.
- **Beyond Yellowstone: Montana Outside the Obvious, Working Quiet, Butte, MT, \$4,000.** This podcast will unearth historical events that shaped modern Montana beyond Yellowstone through narrative audio journalism. It will tell stories of Montana that are at risk of being forgotten with diminishing access to local news sources. Exploring the hidden stories of the state through conversations with community members and cultural experts will show how complex and captivating Montana truly is. Podcast episodes will be a character-driven portrait of a place, telling the stories of Plentywood, Dillon, Chief Mountain, and Havre.
- **The Apsaalooke Crow on the Elk River, Billings Community Foundation, Billings, MT, \$8,000.** This project will support A.J. Otjen and Kevin Red Star’s beautiful historic children’s pop-up book to inspire an understanding of the Yellowstone River and the Apsaalooke Crow. Once their home for 400 years, what is now the Yellowstone River Shed provided abundant resources for their culture to thrive. The book seeks to create an understanding of the Yellowstone River and the Apsaalooke Crow. By featuring the culture, flora, and fauna of the region it hopes to inspire conservation and sustainability and preserve history. The book is expected to be available at area state and national parks, the Museum of the Rockies, Visit Billings, and elsewhere.

MINI-GRANTS (UP TO \$2,000)

- **Bringing Coyote Stories to Life for Missoula Area Homeschoolers, Historical Museum at Fort Missoula, Missoula, MT, \$2,000.** This one-day workshop in February 2024 provided by X^WIx^Wilt (Aspen and Cameron Decker) will consist of storytelling and an interactive art activity

held at the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula. X^wlx^wilt will bring their new Indigenous art and cultural education program called “Coyote Stories in a Bubble” to the museum to share their unique perspective and cultural knowledge with our area’s homeschool network. Participants will immerse themselves in the world of Native American storytelling, coupled with the creation of pictographic art using glow-in-the-dark paint under black light. Students will learn Salish language and Plains Indian Sign Language that correspond to the stories they listen to and have the opportunity to explore storytelling, creativity, and teamwork in a dynamic and visually stunning environment. This program is designed for elementary and middle school students and is designed to support IEFA standards and initiatives.

- **Using Games & Hip Hop to Teach Montana Youth About Cultural Appreciation and Appropriation, Ingenium, Great Falls, MT, \$2,000.** Ingenium, a nonprofit organization working with Montana youth to raise awareness and interest in STEAM careers and community impact through video game design and entrepreneurship, has partnered with Power Schools in Teton County to host an assembly in March that will teach kids about the differences between cultural appreciation and appropriation through the lens of music and video games. The assembly will feature a performance by Christian Takes Gun Parrish a.k.a. Supaman, a member of the Apsaalooke Nation, dancer, and innovative hip-hop artist, followed by a discussion and Q&A with the artist about how his input shaped the design of characters and music in recently developed video games. The project aims to both entertain students and encourage them to think about how they can respectfully interact with different cultures in the world around them.
- **“Why Should I Care” Film Screening, Presentation, Panel and Audience Discussion, Hands On Global, Inc., Helena, MT, \$1,395.00.** Hands On Global’s film “Why Should I Care” about the issue of unhoused people in Helena, features a compilation of interviews with unhoused members of the community, representatives of nonprofits serving them and local government, and concerned members of the public. It offers a comprehensive and informative view of this complex issue. The film screening will take place on March 7, 2024, at St Paul’s Methodist Church in Helena, Montana, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. and will include a facilitated panel discussion with representatives from the city, health care, faith, community service, and unhoused communities. The project aims to provide new information that encourages the Helena community to make informed decisions based on facts and a broader perspective of this issue.
- **Saakwaynaamah’kaa — Mural Painting Demonstration & Artist Talk with Blackfeet Artist Terran Last Gun, Hockaday Museum of Art, Kalispell, MT, \$1,910.80.** Coinciding with a new exhibition open to the public from April through June 2024, the Hockaday Museum of Art in

Kalispell, Montana, features an on-site mural demonstration and artist talk by Blackfeet artist Terran Last Gun, Sah'kwiinaamah'kaa. The project teaches and helps preserve the cultural significance of historic and contemporary indigenous art and traditions.

- **Alpine Artisans 2 Valleys Stage Supaman Workshops, Alpine Artisans, Inc., Seeley Lake, MT, \$1,600.** This project is part of an ongoing series sponsored by Alpine Artisans 2 Valleys Stage. They produce five in-school cultural events per year featuring presenters who provide educational and enriching experiences at four local schools in the Seeley-Swan area. Guest performers offer students in rural communities hands-on, creative activities through workshops, lessons, and discussions.
- **Montana Writers Rodeo, Montana Playwrights Network, Helena, MT, \$2,000.** The Montana Writers Rodeo, hosted by the Montana Playwrights Network, is a civic engagement-minded conference for writers: fiction/non-fiction, playwrights, and screenwriters from across the state. The conference focuses on the education and development of writers, by professionals, in a relaxed, communal space. This year's theme is "Montana Inspires Story" and will be held at the Helena Avenue Theatre on April 19-20, 2024. Montana authors Russell Rowland, Debbie Burke, Leah Joki, and several others will join participants to share their expertise through storytelling, workshops, exercises, panel discussions, and author readings. The Montana Writers Rodeo will encourage discussions about writing and challenge attendees to consider deeply their own human nature, and how this nature expresses itself through character, plot, and genre.
- **The Journey of York: Unsung Hero of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, Jefferson River Chapter Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Pony, MT, \$2,000.** The Jefferson River Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation is bringing Hasan Davis, a York subject matter expert, to Montana this summer as part of the annual speaker's series at the Missouri Headwaters and Madison Buffalo Jump State Park. Mr. Davis will offer a theatrical presentation titled "The Journey of York: Unsung Hero of the Lewis and Clark Expedition" plus a discussion including a question-and-answer session. The program will bring awareness and appreciation of the story of York (William Clark's slave) and his contributions to the success of the Lewis and Clark expedition.
- **The Man in the Arena, Mission Valley Live, Polson, MT, \$2,000.** Mission Valley Live, a community performing arts organization in Polson, will host The Man in the Arena, A Celebration of Theodore Roosevelt at North Lake County Public Library, the Ronan Library District, and high school and middle school history classes in Ronan and Polson in March 2024. Derek Evans, a member of the Chicago History Museum and board member of the Theodore Roosevelt Association's Chicago

chapter, will portray President Theodore Roosevelt to educate local students and adults about the 26th President of the United States' character and his profound and lasting vision for America and what it means to be both an American and a citizen of the world.

- **Cultural Resurgence: Reviving Traditions, Restoring Lands Presentation, The Roxy Theater - International Wildlife Film Festival, Missoula, MT, \$2,000.** This project will feature two short films, *Rebirth of the Range* and *The Return of Nóouhàh-Toka'na* (Swift Fox), and a panel discussion during the 2024 **International Wildlife Film Festival** hosted by The Roxy Theater in Missoula. The films highlight restoring two specific animals to indigenous lands in Montana and the return of federal land to tribal jurisdiction. The primary goals of this project are to raise awareness, educate, and facilitate positive discussion and include indigenous perspectives in local wildlife management.
- **In Conversation: Translation and Identity, Yellowstone Art Museum, Billings, MT, \$2,000.** This translation project and free public lecture will feature thoughtful, engaging dialogue surrounding Crow language and culture. Grant funds will be used to support Tim McCleary, the lead project translator, and an instructor at Little Big Horn College, on the nearby Crow Reservation, along with Vance Crooked Arm and Levi Yellowmule with their translations of the text for Will Wilson exhibition's object and tombstone labels into Crow. Providing additional labels for the exhibit in Crow will allow for deeper outreach and increased accessibility to the artwork for museum visitors. A public discussion at the Yellowstone Art Museum on May 16, 2024, will engage audiences with Crow culture as well. The Will Wilson exhibition in particular explores traditional representations of Native peoples and then addresses misconceptions in his modern photographs.
- **BAM presents a Lee Silliman lecture at the MOR on the History of Montana's Glacier National Park, Bozeman Art Museum, Bozeman, MT, \$1,932.** The Bozeman Art Museum project consists of a free public lecture on June 5, 2024, at the Hagar Auditorium of the Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman, Montana by Lee Silliman entitled "The History of Glacier National Park". The lecture expands the depth of the "Glacier Revisited" exhibit (opening April 19) exploring the history from the Native American beginnings to the founding of the park by Congress in 1910. The talk begins by discussing how Blackfeet, Kootenai, and other tribes utilized the natural resources of the park for millennia and then introduces important individuals in the establishment of the park, such as George Bird Grinnell, James Wilard Schultz, and Louis Warren Hill.
- **Plains Indian Camp, The Montana Living History Program, Helena, MT, \$1,950.** The Montana

Living History Program promotes the preservation of frontier history. Plains Indian Camp, as part of Helena's Living History Day in September 2024, will re-create a historically accurate Plains Indian Camp that the public may tour, investigate and experience, and include an informative lecture about primitive Native life. The project will depict 1800's Native American life through hands-on display and expert narration. This project seeks to increase awareness, interest, and appreciation of Montana history through educational experiences that foster understanding about our multi-cultural past and future.

- **Montana Archaeological Society Meeting Keynote Address, Montana Archaeological Society, Missoula, MT, \$1,665.** The Montana Archaeological Society, a state-wide voluntary organization of professionals and the general public who have an interest in Montana's past, will host Dean Nikolai as the keynote speaker at their annual meeting to provide a Native American perspective on the archaeology of Montana. The keynote address will elevate Native American perspectives about how Montana's past is being interpreted. The annual meeting will be held in Helena May 3-5, 2024, and the keynote address will be recorded and available to view on the organization's website after the event.
- **Magic Beans: Songs for Sprouting Children & Other Human Beans, North Valley Music School, Whitefish, MT, \$2,000.** "Magic Beans" is a youth music program in Northwest Montana, featuring contemplation, conversation, and connection. The project invites Montana author and musician **Chris Sand** to host three, one-hour programs in Evergreen, Whitefish, and Columbia Falls to help kids understand themselves and others through fun and thoughtful songs inspired by Sands' own Magic Beans Songbook.
- **Big Sky Paranormal Conference, Bozeman Paranormal Society, Bozeman, MT, \$2,000.** The Bozeman Paranormal Society is hosting its 3rd Annual Big Sky Paranormal Conference in Butte, MT, September 27-29, 2024. The conference will raise awareness of local Montana history through presentations and tours led by historians.
- **The Gathering at Tmsmtl, Travelers' Rest Preservation and Heritage Association, Lolo, MT, \$2,000.** Travelers' Rest Connection, the non-profit partner of Travelers' Rest State Park, hosted a new Indigenous arts & culture event - The Gathering at Tmsmtl. The event invited the Bitterroot Séliš back to their ancestral territory to practice their traditions, highlight the Indigenous history of the park, and to provide a unique opportunity for community members and tourists to experience high-quality Indigenous-led interpretation at the park.
- **Apsáalooke History & Lifeways Lecture Series at Carter County Museum, Carter County**

Museum, Ekalaka, MT, \$1,960. The Carter County Museum will host lectures centered around Apsáalooke culture on June 19, July 28, and October 3, 2024, by Shawn Backbone, an enrolled member of the Crow Tribe, alongside other seasonal programs to engage critical reflection on humanities topics from multiple perspectives.

- **Summer Writing Camps: Yellowstone Writing Project, Montana State University - Yellowstone Writing Project, Bozeman, MT, \$2,000.** The Yellowstone Writing Project will host their 2024 summer writing camp for young Montana writers entering grades 5-12 and 3-4 on MSU's campus July 8-12, 2024. Led by three English professors and professional writers, the camp will help young people amplify themselves as writers and boost confidence that their voices matter.
- **Voices of Women at Montana Women's Prison, Thresh, Inc., Billings, MT, \$2,000.** Voices of Women is a multimedia project about American female stories. Storytellers and educators will visit Montana Women's Prison with Yellowstone Art Museum staff to share and invite women to contribute. This will be followed by community events at Kirks' Grocery and the YAM.
- **Integrating Indigenous Storytelling & IEFA in the Classroom through Documentary Film, Montana Professional Learning Collaborative, Ronan, MT, \$500.** As part of MTPLC's two-day professional development conference for Montana educators, Julia Sherman of the Big Sky Film Institute will present "Arts Integration in the Classroom Using Storytelling" and help teachers implement the power of bringing diverse and representative films into the classroom with tools and instructional strategies that underscore IEFA's Essential Understandings.
- **Raising Indigenous Voices in Academia and Society Conference 2024, Hinono'eitiit Ho'oowu Inc. - RIVAS Conference, Missoula, MT, \$1,800.** RIVAS conferences raise awareness of the breadth of Indigenous scholarship and the diversity of research on Indigenous topics and issues. Additionally, they serve to bring together Indigenous and non-Indigenous academics to discuss and share ideas about their research and scholarship. The RIVAS 2024 conference will be held September 2 - 4, 2024 in Missoula, MT.

BIG SKY READS

- **Geraldine Library Book Club, Chouteau County Library Foundation - Geraldine Branch Library, Geraldine, MT, \$500.** This book club, hosted by the Chouteau County Library - Geraldine Branch, is held the first Monday of every month at 5:00 p.m. The book club meets at Milk & Honey (1254 Main St, Geraldine, MT 59446). To learn more about joining and participating, please contact the Geraldine Branch Librarian, Samantha Summers at (406) 737-4331 or visit their

Facebook page.

- **The Sorry I'm Late Book Club, Preston Hot Springs Town/County Library, Hot Springs, MT, \$500.** The Sorry I'm Late Book Club, hosted by the Preston Hot Springs Town-County Library, meets on several occasions throughout the year at 3:00 p.m. at the library. 2024 dates include January 13, March 7, March 28, April 18, May 9, May 30, June 20, July 11, August 1, August 22, September 12, October 3, and October 24. To learn more, contact Starla Rice at (406) 741-3491 or [visit their website](#).
- **Plains Public Library Book Club, Plains Public Library, Plains, MT, \$500.** The Plains Public Library Book Club, hosted by the Plains Public Library, meets the third Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. from September to May at the Plains Public Library (108 W Railroad St, Plains, MT 59859). To learn more, contact Cindy Thomas at (406) 826-3101 or visit their [Facebook page](#).
- **Fort Benton Book Club, Chouteau County Library Foundation - Fort Benton Library, Fort Benton, MT, \$500.** The Fort Benton Book Club, hosted by the Fort Benton Library, meets on the 4th Monday of each month at noon in the basement of the Fort Benton Library (1518 Main Street, Fort Benton, MT 59442). To learn more, contact Emily Wicks at (406) 622-5222 or fblibrary1915@gmail.com and visit their [Facebook page](#).
- **LPL Book Clubs, Lewistown Public Library, Lewistown, MT, \$500.** The LPL Book Clubs, hosted by the Lewistown Public Library, meet monthly at the library. The Mystery Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month and reads true crime, mysteries, and paranormal fiction and nonfiction. The Science Fiction & Fantasy Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month and alternates between genres. The A-Z Club meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month and reads across a range of genres but is specifically marketed toward "newcomers to town and old souls" to encourage new residents to engage with their library and community. To learn more, contact Lewistown Public Library staff at (406) 538-5212 and [visit the library's website](#).
- **Book Talk Book Club, Stillwater County Library, Columbus, MT, \$500.** The Book Talk Book Club, hosted by the Stillwater County Library in Columbus, MT meets on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information about Book Talk Book Club, contact Kayli at slibrary@stillwatercountylibrary.org or at (406) 322-5009. To learn more about the Book Talk Book Club, [visit their website](#).
- **Wedsworth Memorial Library Book Club, Wedsworth Memorial Library, Cascade, MT, \$500.**

The Wedsworth Memorial Library Book Club, hosted by Wedsworth Memorial Library, meets once a month August through May. The group meets once a month in August, September, October, November, February, March, April, and May on the 2nd Monday at 5:00 p.m. To learn more, contact Nancy Royan at (406) 468-2848 or [visit their website](#).

- **Book Discussion at the Havre-Hill County Library, Havre, MT, \$500.** The summer reading program at the Havre-Hill County Library will take place on May 30, June 27, July 25, and August 29 this year. The group meets at the Havre-Hill County Library Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m. and all are welcome to participate. For more information, contact Megan or Rachel at 406-265-2123 and visit their [Facebook page](#).
- **Page Turner's Youth Book Club, North Lake County Public Library, Polson, MT, \$500.** Page Turner's Youth Book Club meets monthly at the North Lake County Public Library. For more information contact the library at (406) 883-8225 or [visit the library website](#).
- **Thompson Falls Book Club 2024, Thompson Falls Public Library, Thompson Falls, MT, \$500.** The Thompson Falls Public Library Book Club meets at 4:00 p.m., on the third Friday of each month (except December). For more information, contact Crystal Buchanan at (406) 827-3547 or [visit their website](#).
- **River City Readers, Friends of the Glendive Public Library, Glendive, MT, \$500.** The River City Readers Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. in the basement meeting room of the Glendive Public Library. For more information contact Twylla at (406) 939-4146.
- **Alpine Artisans Open Book Club, Alpine Artisans, Inc., Seeley Lake, MT, \$500.** The Open Book Club was founded in 2007 to bring notable authors from the Northwest to read and discuss their work with residents and students of the Seeley-Swan and Blackfoot Valleys. The book club is a free open forum. For more information, contact Jenny Rohrer at (406) 754-0034 or [visit their website](#).
- **History Book Club, Northwest Montana History Museum, Kalispell, MT, \$500.** The History Book Club began in 2006 as a way for community members to explore Western history and gather to discuss literary themes, people, places, and culture. The book club is open and free to the public. For more information, contact Amy Drown, at 406-756-8381 option 5 or [visit their website](#).

- **Liberty Book Club, Friends of the Liberty County Library, Chester, MT, \$500.** The Liberty County Library hosts two book clubs. One book club favors non-fiction and meets on the third Monday of each month at the United Methodist Church in Chester, MT. The second book club likes fiction and meets on the third Thursday of each month at the Liberty County Library in Chester, MT. Contact Julie Erickson at (406) 759-5445 for more information.
- **Blaine County Museum Book Club, Blaine County Museum, Chinook, MT, \$500.** The Blaine County Museum Book Club meets bi-weekly on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Blaine County Museum in Chinook. For more information contact Olivia Downs at (406) 357-2590 and [follow the museum on Facebook](#).
- **Madison Valley Public Library Book Club, Madison Valley Public Library, Ennis, MT, \$500.** For his program, author Abe Streep, winner of the 2021 Montana Book Award for his book, *Brothers on Three: A True Story of Family, Resistance, and Hope on Reservation in Montana*, engaged Madison Valley Public Library Book Club and community members in an evening of conversation about his experiences while researching and writing his book, from the perspective of one who came to his writing project with little prior knowledge of Montana Indians.
- **DC Library Book Club, DC Library Book Club, Scobey, MT, \$500.** The DC Library Book Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month and on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. of the same week at the Daniels County Library. For more information, contact Arlene Kegley at (406) 487-5502.
- **Twin Bridges Book Club, Twin Bridges Public Library, Twin Bridges, MT, \$500.** The Twin Bridges Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Blue Anchor Cafe 102 N Main St in Twin Bridges, Montana. For more information contact Didi Murray at (406) 596-3311 or visit the library website.
- **Glacier County Library Book Club, Glacier County Library Memorial Foundation, Cutbank, MT, \$500.** The Glacier County Book Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month at Glacier County Library, 21 1st Ave SE in Cutbank. Dates, times, and meeting locations may vary depending on group availability and preference. For more information, contact Austin Castle at (406) 873-4572 or [visit their Facebook page](#).
- **Valier Book Club, Valier Public Library, Valier, MT, \$500.** The Valier Book Club meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Valier Public Library, 400 Teton Ave in Valier. For more

information contact Chris Grotbo (406) 781-8956 or [visit their Facebook page](#).

PARTNERSHIP GRANT AWARDEES

- **National History Day Montana (NHD MT), Montana State University, Bozeman, MT, \$17,808.** Humanities Montana partnered with Montana State University (MSU), the new institutional sponsor for **National History Day in Montana (NHD MT)**, to support professional development and school travel to regional, state, and national History Day competitions. National History Day is a co-curricular academic program for students in grades 6-12 that aligns with social studies and ELA standards. Through NHD MT, youth engage in rigorous historical research, so that they are better able to inform the present and shape the future. NHD MT inspires students through competitions and transforms teaching through project-based curriculum and instruction. Support of this project was possible through a one-year special funding initiative offered by the National Endowment for the Humanities.