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**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS:
AWARDS FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN THE HUMANITIES**

The Rhode Island Council for the Humanities seeks nominations for the 2016 Celebration of the Humanities awards. Rhode Island Council for the Humanities hosts its annual *Celebration of the Humanities* each October as part of National Arts & Humanities Month to honor the people and projects that make Rhode Island a vital place to live, and to recognize the work of extraordinary members of the public humanities community. The theme of the 2016 Celebration is *Amplify*, focusing on how the humanities resonate with current issues and future possibilities, heighten awareness of voices and stories that need to be heard, and magnify connections between economy, community, and culture.

The deadline for submissions is 5:00pm on March 11, 2016.

TOM ROBERTS PRIZE FOR CREATIVE ACHIEVEMENT IN THE HUMANITIES

Recognizes an individual or organization whose work blends the wisdom and methods of the humanities in inventive, original, and imaginative ways with topics, disciplines, and formats not ordinarily associated with traditional humanities education.

INNOVATION IN THE HUMANITIES AWARD

Recognizes the innovative implementation of the humanities within an organization to achieve a specific goal or a collaboration between organizations to achieve a shared vision.

PUBLIC HUMANITIES SCHOLAR AWARD

Recognizes outstanding public humanities work in teaching and scholarship that advances the civic and cultural life of Rhode Island.

Awards will be presented at the Celebration of the Humanities event in October.

For a list of past recipients, please visit: <http://rihumanities.org/get-involved/celebrate/>.

All nominations must be received by 5:00pm on March 11, 2016.

Access the nomination form at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CelebrationAwards2016> or by contacting Carole Ann Penney at caroleann@rihumanities.org or (401) 273-2250 x207.

The Rhode Island Council for the Humanities seeds, supports, and strengthens public history, cultural heritage, civic education, and community engagement by and for all Rhode Islanders. Founded in 1973 as an independent affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Rhode Island Council for the Humanities has awarded over \$7.7 million in grants to support more than 650 organizations and individuals throughout the state of Rhode Island.

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