

Rhode Island Humanities Call for Nominations to Board of Directors, 2023-2024

Rhode Island Humanities seeks nominations for members to serve on its Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is the governing body for RI Humanities, providing long-term vision and financial stewardship for the organization.

Board members elected in 2024 will serve a three-year term beginning in April. Board terms can be renewed once, for a total of six years of service.

We are actively seeking qualified candidates with a demonstrable commitment to the humanities in public life. In addition, we are looking for individuals who are willing and able to bring personal and/or institutional resources to support the vision and mission of RI Humanities. The board seeks candidates who represent the diversity of the state, including but not limited to age, national origin, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, gender, disability, cultural background, and socioeconomic class.

In particular, we are seeking candidates with interest and expertise in the following areas:

- Government relations: Advocates for establishing strong relationships with elected leaders at the State House and with our Congressional Delegation.
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility: People who have participated in and/or led DEIA changes to inform and inspire the Council as we implement the new "By and For All Rhode Islander" Strategic Plan and DEIA Action Plan.
- Philanthropy: Volunteers who can expand the financial resources of RI Humanities to broaden and deepen RI Humanities' philanthropic community.
- Civic Health: Community leaders who can help guide RI Humanities to connect the humanities, civic life, and democratic participation.
- Higher Education leadership, especially in the areas of cultural and civic engagement.
- K-12 Education: Leaders with deep knowledge of public education, especially civic education.
- Creative and Cultural Economy: Business and policy leaders championing the power of the humanities and arts for economic development and quality of life.

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