

Rhode Island Humanities is hosting and helping plan the National Humanities Conference (NHC) in Providence from November 13 – 17, 2024. This national conference is organized by the Federation of State Humanities Councils and the National Humanities Alliance, and draws hundreds of attendees from across the country—providing a unique opportunity to highlight the dynamic public humanities ecosystem in the Ocean State. Conferences of this size bring over \$976,790 to the local economy.

With NHC 2024 taking place in the Ocean State, the connection between water and human communities, behavior, and decisions over millennia inspires the conference's theme of "Making Waves, Navigating Currents of Change."

Sessions will highlight connections across humanities and other disciplines and practices. We are especially encouraging proposals incorporating the theme of water, making waves through public humanities, and navigating currents of change.



The Call for Proposals is now open, and there is a special opportunity for local humanities organizations and practitioners to submit off-site session proposals.

Off-site sessions will be an integral part of the Conference experience. These sessions will take place outside of the conference hotel but ideally within walking distance! They will introduce participants to an aspect of the Providence or Rhode Island humanities landscape or to a type of humanities program that is best understood beyond the hotel and convention center walls. Local, RI-based cultural organizations and/or humanities practitioners are encouraged to submit proposals for off-site sessions as a way to introduce the conference's national audience to the rich humanities ecosystem of the Ocean State.

## **CALL FOR PROPOSALS:**

- Proposals must be submitted via the online form at: statehumanities.org/2024-national-humanities-conference-call-for-proposals/
- The deadline to apply is 11:59 pm EST on April 3, 2024.
- Questions about the proposal process, email Associate Director of Engagement Rachael Jeffers at rachael@rihumanities.org