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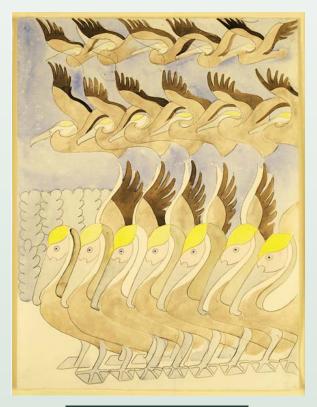


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Though renowned as a painter of the Mississippi Gulf Coast, artist Walter Anderson was born and schooled in New Orleans. His watercolor Pelicans is in the collection of the Ogden Museum of Southern Art.



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LOUISIANA HUMANITIES CENTER

Turners' Hall, a 19th-century German social hall, has served as home to the LEH since the spring of 2001. It is located in New Orleans' Central Business District.



ANNUAL 2003 REPORT

LOUISIANA ENDOWMENT for the HUMANITIES |

THE LOUISIANA ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES — through its national award-winning programs, *Louisiana Cultural Vistas* magazine and grants awarded to communities across the state — seeks to help Louisianians tell their stories and create greater public access to "our shared heritage." Its programs also address needs such as family literacy, teacher professional

development and cultural tourism that are crucial to the quality of life today and for future generations.

Last year, 2003, was a phenomenal year in funding and in programs. The Board of Directors awarded 11 grants to various organizations throughout the state to underwrite programs that celebrated the Bicentennial of the Louisiana Purchase. That was in addition to the 11 grants awarded in 2002. In October 2003, the U.S. Department of Education awarded an almost \$1 million "Teaching American History" grant to the LEH and the Orleans Parish School System to conduct a three-year series of summer institutes for almost 400 Orleans Parish public school histo-

ry teachers. In addition, the LEH was fortunate to be included in the state's capital outlay appropriation for \$600,000 for the Louisiana Humanities Center. The appropriation is pending in the state's 2004-2005 capital outlay budget. The LEH, working with national fund-raising consultants, also completed a feasibility study for a \$2.5 million capital campaign that will be launched in mid 2004.

Whether through the dramatic expansion of PRIME TIME FAMI-LY READING TIME, the receipt of a major Teaching of American History grant, our Teacher Institutes for Advanced Study or Louisiana Cultural Vistas magazine, the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities' statewide program reached deep into communities throughout the state with grants for museum exhibitions and other humanities projects, and a broadened adult reading program in Readings in Literature and Culture (RELIC). We continued to excel in developing and supporting programs that are now national models.

Louisiana rarely has been the source of a solution to the problems of illit-

eracy. Too often, our state has been cited among its dismal examples. Yet, in 2003, our

PRIME TIME completed programs in 61 sites, representing 33 parishes and reaching 2,900 young people and their parents or guardians. In addition, PRIME TIME programs were held at 17 sites in seven other states. Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, New York and Wisconsin contracted as affiliate states, thus illustrating their commitment

to sustain and expand the program nationally. Also, the National Endowment for the Humanities awarded PRIME TIME a \$290,000 grant, our largest ever, to expand the program to 20 sites in four other states. The program also received the Public Library Association's 2003 national Advancement of Literacy Award. Since PRIME TIME began in 1991, it has reached 59 of the state's 64 parishes as well as communities in 34 other states, plus the Virgin Islands. This is truly a Louisiana success story.



The LEH and
Orleans Parish
public schools
teamed up
to earn a
\$1 million
"Teaching



American

History" grant.

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— MICHAEL SARTISKY, LEH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT

Now in its 21st year, RELIC is a cornerstone of our initiatives and a blueprint for successful reading programs. In 2003, LEH, working with local libraries, conducted 40 sixweek programs with almost 5,513 Louisiana residents signing up. Subjects this year ranged from Louisiana and Southern literature to the legacy of the Louisiana Purchase. Since its inception in 1983, RELIC programs have reached

over 70,000 Louisiana residents in 62 of the state's 64 parishes.

Our highly popular Teacher Institutes for Advance Studies were successful again last year. In 2003, the LEH provided grant funds for 10 institutes, engaging 217 teachers from 37 parishes and

scholars from a dozen Louisiana colleges and universities. The largest statewide program of its kind in the nation, teachers who have completed our Teacher

Institutes for Advanced Study instruct just over 452,000 Louisiana students annually.

Louisiana Cultural Vistas, many times winner of the New Orleans Press Club award for best publication, continued to gain greater attention and acclaim. With a readership exceeding 50,000, Louisiana Cultural Vistas is a lasting way for the LEH to promote and explore Louisiana's rich cultural heritage.

Two other major LEH-supported projects also are featured in this

report. American Routes is a nationally acclaimed two-hour weekly radio program, featuring Louisiana roots music. In 2003, it reached 147 radio stations in 200 radio markets. The Tennessee Williams New Orleans Literary Festival, completing its 17th year in 2003, continued to gain national recognition as one of the nation's premier literary events.

The LEH also continued to support the efforts of the Southern Humanities Media Fund, which underwrites film, video and audio productions that focus on the history and culture of the American South. The LEH has contributed \$45,000 since joining the SHMF in 2002.

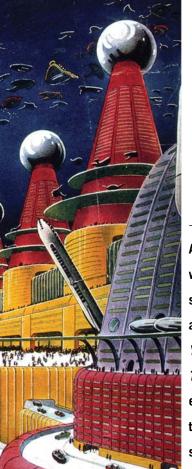
While practically every area of LEH programming grew during the past year, much more remains to be done. Several regions of the state are underserved. Unfortunately, many communities lack the resources to host programs we support.

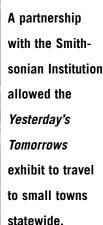
These are challenges we continue to explore.

This year's Annual Report also describes grants projects funded in 2003 to community organizations, institutions, museums, scholars, writers and film producers. Since its creation in 1971, the LEH has provided almost \$15 million to help fund almost 2,400 humanities projects, reaching towns and cities in every parish in the state. In 2003 alone, the LEH awarded 82 grants to individuals and organizations, totaling almost \$715,000.

As you will see in the pages that follow, 2003 was an exceptional year, thanks to continuing support from the State of Louisiana, the National Endowment for the Humanities, corporations and hundreds of private donors. It was a year in which the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities' Board of Directors and staff made important strides in creating even greater public access to the humanities.

PHILIP C. EARHART, 2003 LEH Chair MICHAEL SARTISKY, Ph.D., President/Executive Director







PRIME TIME FAMILY READING TIME

PRIME TIME FAMILY READING TIME, a unique intergenerational six- or eight-week literacy program composed of readings, discussions and storytelling, reached more than 2,800 participants at public libraries, schools, community centers and other public venues in 2003. The exemplary familybased model featured award-winning children's books to stimulate discussion about themes and problems encountered in daily life.

The goals of this humanities project were to encourage parents and children to bond around the act of reading and learning together, thus reinforcing the role of the family, and to help children and parents learn how to select and share books, thereby inspiring a lifelong love of books and libraries.

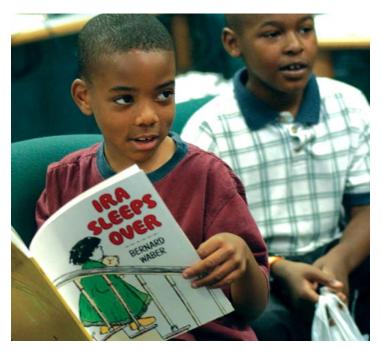
In 2003 PRIME TIME completed 61 sites in Louisiana, representing 33 parishes. Since the program began in 1991, 59 of Louisiana's 64 parishes have participated. This program is designed for families with low literacy skills and targets parents with children ages 6 to 10. The format, however, includes a separate pre-literacy group activity for younger siblings.

In recognition of the proven potential for replication, the American

Library Association continued their supportive efforts through the office of Public Programs.

No state funds were used for these outof state programs. These programs were supported by federal grants that required regional

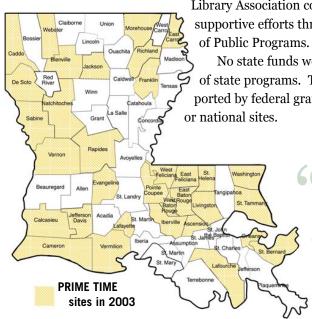
> The families just could not believe that these services (public library) were all free of charge. It was a humbling experience for me. I assumed people knew. I'm grateful to have given so many access to the valuable tool of our local library." SCHOOL LIBRARY SITE COORDINATOR



The LEH's rapidly growing **PRIME TIME** program encourages reading and brings families together.

tn 2003

- Received the Public Library Association's 2003 national Advancement of Literacy Award.
- Received a \$290,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to implement five Prime Time sites in each of the following states: California, Florida, Pennsylvania and Kentucky.
 - Completed 61 sites in Louisiana, representing 33 parishes. Three of these parishes implemented the model for the first time.
 - Reached a statewide audience of about 2,800 with an average of 46 participants for each weekly session.
 - Continued expansion as a national model for family reading programs. As a result of NEH funding, Library Services and Technology Act grants and affiliate funds, 17 sites were implemented in seven states.
 - States to contract with LEH as affiliate states, illustrating their commitment to sustain and expand the program, were Wisconsin, New York, Michigan, Illinois and Indiana.



LOUISIANA CULTURAL VISTAS

OUISIANA CULTURAL VISTAS completed its 14th year of publication, focusing on the state's culture, arts and history. This innovative publishing project has brought to the printed page the best in both visuals and text from Louisiana scholars, artists, photographers, fiction writers, poets, essayists, and reviewers. The quarterly magazine ensures that grant projects may have reached select regional populations gain greater visibility on magazine racks and coffee tables in the living rooms, waiting rooms, and offices of more than 80,000 readers. Among the highlights of the past year are:

- The story of Ferriday and the large role the small town has played in America's musical landscape.
- A review of the re-emergence of ethnic pride in Acadiana, which had often been quelled by an unjustified inferiority complex;
- The story of Louisiana's four soverign

 Native American tribes, as they try to preserve their traditional ways at the same time as new economic enterprises increase and their profile grows;
- A two-part series on the history of cartography featuring maps from The Historic New Orleans Collection dating explorers' early forays to the Louisiana Territory to the present;
- A look at the rituals and feasts surrounding St. Joseph's Day, traditionally observed in New Orleans by descendants of Sicilian immigrants;
- An excerpt from Louisiana author Tim Gautreaux's new novel, *The Clearing*, about a Pennsylvania man who ventures to a backwater logging camp in hopes of saving both his family's cypress sawmill and a wayward brother.



The Louisiana

Summer 2002.

READINGS in LITERATURE and CULTURE

READINGS IN LITERATURE AND CULTURE (RELIC) has offered adult readers across Louisiana an opportunity to engage in book discussions and readings in the humanities that are diverse and intellectually challenging. Established in 1983, RELIC is LEH's longest running program.

New topics that speak to the experiences of Louisianians are being created to meet the recent demands for new directions in humanities programming. With that in mind, the LEH launched The Louisiana Purchase: Impact and Legacy in the fall. It has received strong public interest.

RELIC, administered in partnership with the Louisiana Library Association, serves as a gateway for individuals to engage the worlds of ideas and expression about the human experience, and as a vehicle for libraries to

> towns and rural areas particularly benefit from these engaging programs, as do newcomers to Louisiana and others with specific interests. Since the program's inception, these scholarled reading sessions have been held in libraries in 62 of Louisiana's 64 parishes. RELIC has

diversify their role in their communities. Small

Through these disacussions I've gotten new insights into various cultures. As a result, my attitudes in some areas have changed."

LAFAYETTE, ENCOUNTER IN LOUISIANA

• Lenjoy hearing other people's opinions about reading material." WINNFIELD, LOUISIANA CHARACTERS: BIOGRAPHIES OF THE BAYOU STATE

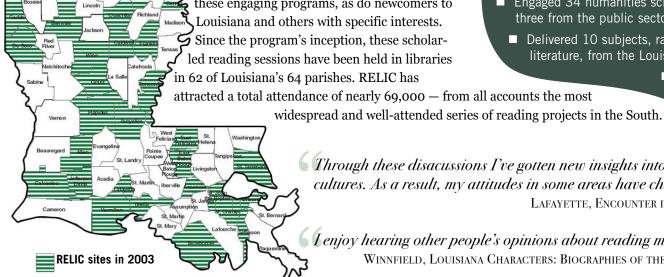


■ Engaged 34 humanities scholars from 15 institutions and three from the public sector.

■ Delivered 10 subjects, ranging from Louisiana literature to Southern literature, from the Louisiana Purchase to the history of World War II.

> ■ Drew into discussions 5,513 participants in 40 programs for an evening session average

> > ■ Delivered programs in 34 locations in 28 parishes throughout the state, with 20 of them in communities ranging from rural to small town in population size.



LEH TEACHER INSTITUTES for ADVANCED STUDY

SINCE 1985, THE LEH HAS SPONSORED an intensive series of 159 summer seminars for more than 3,000 Louisiana middle and high school teachers, who in turn teach approximately 452,550 students annually. The purpose of this program is to provide teachers with intellectual stimulation and advanced knowledge of the subjects they teach. Originally supported entirely by the LEH with funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the series has expanded with support from the State of Louisiana and foundation gifts.

At its December 2003 meeting, the LEH board approved 10 Teacher Institutes that will take place during the summer of 2004. They will focus on local topics such as Cajuns and Creoles as well as those of national import, including both the Vietnam and Cold Wars, as well as the Roaring '20s. Two institutes are also serving as pilot programs: 1) Reaching out to teachers and students in one of the most underserved regions of Louisiana, the institute sponsored by Centenary College, will take place in Winnsboro; and 2) LSU-Shreveport will introduce LEH's national award-winning PRIME

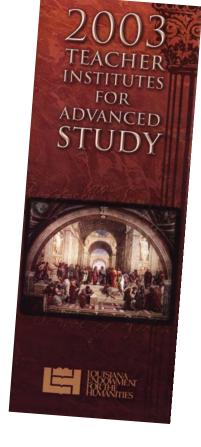
TIME FAMILY READING TIME program to the classroom. Most seminars offer graduate credit, feature guest lecturers and provide information on Internet resources available for classroom use.

FORTHCOMING 2004 TEACHER INSTITUTES for ADVANCED STUDY:

■ PERSPECTIVES
ON THE VIETNAM WAR:
HISTORY, CULTURE, AND POLITICS
03-772-190 / \$29,540
Louisiana State University at Eunice
Eunice
Dr. Huey Guagliardo
This institute will introduce school teachers to the history and politics of the conflict, as well as the rich variety of literature and music written during and after the war.

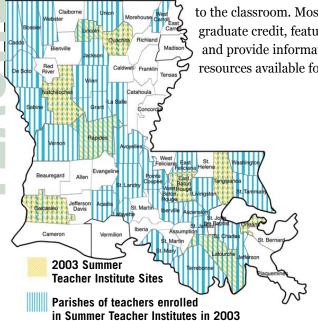
■ THE ROARING TWENTIES, IN BLACK AND WHITE 03-772-191 / \$35,808 Louisiana State University and A&M College Baton Rouge

Dr. John W. Lowe



Teachers will study two great genres of post-World War I American literature: "The Lost Generation" and the "Harlem Renaissance."

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Teacher Institutes

- Held 10 intensive seminars led by university professors on topics ranging from Louisiana history and literature to Middle Eastern history and culture.
 - Enriched 217 teachers from 37 parishes across the state.
 - Served more than 32,000 students in Louisiana schools during the 2003-04 school year.

LEH TEACHER INSTITUTES for ADVANCED STUDY |

■ WHO AM I? EXPLORING IDENTITY IN K-8 LITERATURE

03-772-193 / \$26,761 Louisiana State University in Shreveport Shreveport

Dr. Helen Clare Taylor Teachers participating in this institute will be able to work with students to enhance their critical thinking skills, especially in framing issues of identity.

■ SHAKESPEARE'S CIVIL COMEDY

o3-772-195 / \$33,350 Centenary College of Louisiana Winnsboro Dr. Steve Shelburne Institute will encourage more extensive use of Shakespearean comedy as a basis for teaching the role of art in society

and individuals' civic responsibilities.

■ HOLLYWOOD AND THE COLD WAR

o3-772-196 / \$28,773 Louisiana Tech University Ruston Dr. Brian C. Etheridge Institute will provide teachers with tools for engaging students through

tools for engaging students through film, challenging them to explore the ways in which film functions in society.

■ AMERICAN DREAM, AMERICAN DRAMA, AMERICAN CLASSROOM

03-772-197 / \$28,767 University of Louisiana at Monroe Monroe Dr. Janet V. Haedicke

Institute will explore plays written in

the U.S. that reflect upon the "American Dream" and how it was interpreted by playwrights in different periods of the 20th century.

■ ALL WORK AND NO PLAY, YEAH? THE USE OF NARRATIVE TO EXPLORE THE WORLD OF WORK IN SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA

o3-772-199 / \$24,943
McNeese State University
Lake Charles
Dr. Delma McLeod-Porter
Institute will study narrative structure
through oral histories gathered from
individuals living and working in southwest Louisiana as a tool for improving
students' analytical and writing skills.

■ ACCULTURATING ACADIANA: RE-READING THE NARRATIVE OF LOCAL PLACES

03-772-200 / \$27,461 University of Louisiana at Lafayette Lafayette Dr. Julia Frederick Teachers will rediscover the historic

Teachers will rediscover the historic peoples of the Acadiana Region, as well as the acculturation of traditional peoples and their ability to retain tradition within modernization.

■ CREOLES IN FACT AND FICTION

o3-772-202 / \$32,094 Southeastern Louisiana University Hammond Dr. Thomas H. Fick Institute will explore the portrayal of Creoles in history, literature and film, with attention to historical backgrounds.



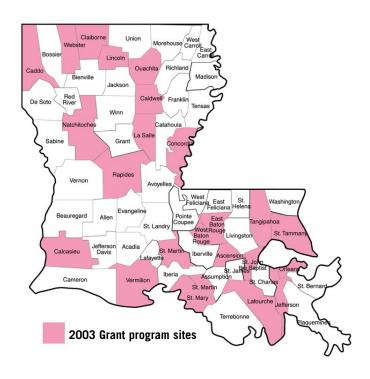
Photography
of urban life was
the focus of one
institute. In this
dramatic photograph, Margaret
Bourke-White
works high atop
the Chrysler
Building in New
York in 1934.

■ URBAN EXPLORERS:
PHOTOGRAPHERS IN
THE AMERICAN CITY
03-772-203 / \$30,000
Loyola University New Orleans
New Orleans
Dr. Leslie Parr
Institute will expose teachers to the

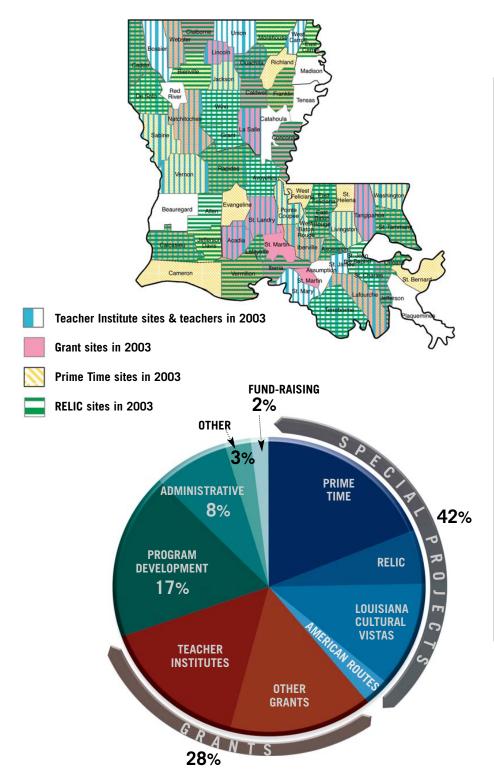
American city through the lens of its photographers, whose pictures present interpretations of urban life, and the political, social and aesthetic movements that have helped shape our understanding of the city and its inhabitants.

GRANTS ANALYSIS SUMMARY |

THE LOUISIANA ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES awarded 84 grants totaling \$736,077 in 2003. These grants ranged from an outreach grant of \$850 to a Teacher Institute for Advanced Study grant of \$35,808. The average grant was \$8,713. These grants included funding for 31 discussion projects averaging \$3,940; seven documentary films averaging \$17,534; 14 exhibitions averaging \$5,004; seven literary or film festival projects averaging \$13,075; nine planning grants for \$1,000 each; five publication projects averaging \$4,300; and 10 Teacher Institutes averaging \$29,750.



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Areas of Concentration	Grants	Total Awards	% of Funds	% of Grants		
General Humanities	42	\$401,364	55%	50%		
Louisiana Humanities	42	\$334,713	47%	50%		
Location of Awards (by Congresstional District)						
Vitter (1st)	7	\$103,965	14%	8%		
Jefferson (2nd)	22	\$132,127	18%	27%		
Tauzin (3rd)	6	\$15,481	2%	7%		
McCrery (4th)	10	\$78,961	11%	11%		
Alexander (5th)	14	\$135,481	18%	17%		
Baker (6th)	9	\$100,802	14%	11%		
John (7th)	11	\$122,887	17%	13%		
Out of State	5	\$46,373	6%	6%		
Totals	84	\$736,077	100%	100%		
Format						
Conference/Discussion/Lecture	32	\$123,755	17%	38%		
Documentary Film & Radio	7	\$122,737	17%	8%		
Exhibition	14	\$70,061	10%	17%		
Festival (Literary, Film, Folklife)	7	\$91,527	12%	8%		
Planning	9	\$9,000	1%	11%		
Publication	5	\$21,500	3%	6%		
Teacher Institute/Workshop	10	\$297,497	40%	12%		
Totals	84	\$736,077	100%	100%		
Size of Grants						
To \$2,000	31	\$45,100	6%	37%		
\$2,001-\$2,500	14	\$34,336	5%	17%		
\$2,501-\$7,500	9	\$41,856	6%	11%		
\$7,501-\$10,000	3	\$24,605	3%	4%		
\$10,001-\$15,000	7	\$92,936	12%	9%		
\$15,001-\$20,000	6	\$104,191	14%	6%		
\$20,001-\$25,000	4	\$94,999	13%	5%		
\$25,001-\$30,000	7	\$196,802	27%	9%		
More than \$30,000	3	\$101,252	14%	4%		
Totals	84	\$736,077	100%	100%		



ANALYSIS of Grants Awarded

	Outreach Grants	Public Humanities Grants	Total
Applications Received	75	84	159
Applications Funded	45	39	84
% of Applications Funded	60%	46%	53%
LEH Awards	\$ 79,436	\$ 656,641	\$ 736,077
Project Cost Sharing	\$ 229,589	\$ 2,464,890	\$ 2,694,479
Total LEH Awards & Project Cost Sharing	\$ 309,025	\$ 3,101,531	\$ 3,430,556

RELIC

Readings in Literature & Culture

2003 Library Reading Discussion Project

A Cooperative Project of the LEH and the Louisiana Library Association

	North	Central	Southeast	Southwest	TOTAL
Library Sites	12	8	14	6	40
Outright Funds	\$ 45,932	\$ 28,931	\$ 55,117	\$ 23,050	\$ 153,030
% of Total Funds	30%	19%	36%	15%	100%
Library Cost Share	\$ 34,440	\$ 22,960	\$ 40,180	\$ 17,220	\$ 114,800
Total RELIC Funding	\$ 80,372	\$ 51,891	\$ 95,297	\$ 40,270	\$ 267,830

PRIME TIME

FAMILY READING TIME

2003 Library Reading and Discussion Project for Families

	North	Central	Southeast	Southwest	National	Total
Library Sites	13	16	21	11	7	
Outright Funds	\$95,604	\$117,666	\$154,437	\$80,895	\$51,479	\$500,081
% of Total Funds	21%	26%	35%	18%		100%
Library Cost Share	\$30,875	\$38,000	\$49,875	\$26,125	\$16,625	\$161,500
Total PT Funding	\$126,479	\$155,666	\$204,312	\$107,020	\$68,104	\$661,581

SPECIAL GRANTS |

American Routes

Tennessee Williams Festival

"American Routes" is a one-hour radio program featuring Louisiana and nationally known musicians. These artists represent a wide range of popular music: jazz, blues, Cajun, Latin, soul, Zydeco, western swing, pop and gospel. The program format includes interviews with the hottest artists on the contemporary and traditional music scene as well as samples of their latest works.

American Routes
Nicholas Spitzer
\$97,000

The nationally syndicated program celebrated its fifth anniversary in 2003. Reaching 147 stations in 200 radio markets, and an estimated weekly national audience of 500,000 listeners, these stations ranged from those dominated by classical formats to those featuring news.



Louisiana music is front and center on American Routes.

Tennessee
Williams Festival
The Tennessee Williams
New Orleans Literary
Festival
03-772-189 / \$25,000
Shannon Stover

THIS ANNUAL LITERARY FESTIVAL brings top writers to New Orleans and provides quality programming for the general public. In its 17th year (2003), this remarkable festival contributed to the state's cultural life with five days of master classes, poetry readings, literary panels, cultural walking tours, theatrical and musical performances and a book fair. It is the largest and oldest

established literary festival in the city and reaches the largest audience of any local literary event. Many local residents also enjoyed panel discussions broadcasted on area cable television channels. Besides reaching thousands of people, the festival is one of the nation's Top 10 Literary Events. The festival also sends writers to the city's public high schools and contributes books to their libraries.

This year's festival participants included Louisiana authors Tim Gautreaux and Robert Morgan, biographer Douglas Brinkley, The Food Channel's Sarah

Moulton, Bob Shieffer from CBS' Face the Nation, and critically acclaimed actress Tammy Grimes. A special discussion on the work of Zora Neale Hurston, with Valarie Boyd and Carla Kaplan, was the focus of this year's "Writers' Profile" panel.



The Tennessee Williams New Orleans Literary Festival never fails to present lively and insightful panel discussions.

LEH SPECIAL GRANTS

Yesterday's Tomorrows: Past Visions of the American Future

For the second time, the LEH partnered with the Smithsonian Institution's Museum on Main Street Program to bring one of its renowned traveling exhibits to Louisiana's rural communities.

Touring from March 2004 through May 2005, "Yesterday's Tomorrows" explores the history of the future — our expectations and beliefs about things to come. From ray guns to

Yesterday's Tomorrows: Past Visions of the American Future OG 03-772-109-114 & 03-772-205-206 \$16,000

robots, to nuclear powered cars, to the Atom-Bomb house, to predictions and inventions that went awry, "Yesterday's Tomorrows" helps us understand the values and hopes Americans hold and have held about the years to come. Besides covering all exhibition costs (\$9,000) and providing thus far \$16,000 in grants for ancillary exhibits and public programs to the six host sites, LEH has provided continuous technical assistance to the sponsoring organizations on exhibition and program development, fundraising, publicity and promotion, collaboration, and budget planning, all of which will benefit these organizations long after the Smithsonian exhibit has left town.

YESTERDAY'S TOMORROWS HOST SITES

MINDEN

Minden Chamber of Commerce Audrey Flournoy

JEANERETTE

Jeanerette Bicentennial Park and Museum Darlene Derise

PINEVILLE

Old Town Hall Museum Oberia Price



PLAQUEMINE

Iberville Museum Louis J. Nicolosi

SULPHUR

Brimstone Historical Society Jason A. Barnes

WINNSBORO

The Princess Theatre Naomi Cordill

Southern Humanities Media Fund

Founded in 1991, the Southern Humanities Media Fund is a collaboration of 10 state humanities councils in the South. The SHMF supports film, video, and audio productions focused on the history and culture of the American South. The LEH has contributed a total of \$45,000 to the SHMF since joining the group in 2002. Because the LEH reserves its Documentary Film and Radio Grants for projects on Louisiana history and culture, applicants whose projects concentrate on

Southern Humanities Media Fund 03-772-229 \$20,000 Rob Vaughan broader Southern topics are referred to the SHMF.

Since its inception, the SHMF has helped to underwrite 45 outstanding films, television programs and radio projects disbursing a total of \$1.6 million in grant funds. In 2003, the SHMF awarded \$130,000 to provide production support for three regional media projects: *Howard Thurman: In Search of Common Ground* (\$40,000), *The Seminole Wars* (\$60,000), and *Thurgood Marshall Before the Court* (\$30,000).

LEH GRANTS |

Public Humanities Grants

THE LEH SUPPORTS **CULTURAL EFFORTS** throughout the state by awarding grants to local cultural organizations and institutions. These awards support large- and smallscale humanities public programs from university events to those sponsored by museums, libraries, cultural centers and historical societies. Public Humanities grants build bridges between academia and the community, giving Louisiana residents access to top university faculty and resources. Specific formats for these projects include, but are not limited to, public forums, conferences and workshops, interpretive exhibits, and film and music lecture series.

Public Humanities grants awarded in 2003 included Documentary Film and Radio projects as well as Louisiana Publishing Initiative grants.

■ BEYOND AUDUBON:
THE REDISCOVERY OF
ANDREW JACKSON GRAYSON,
LOUISIANA'S FORGOTTEN
ARTIST

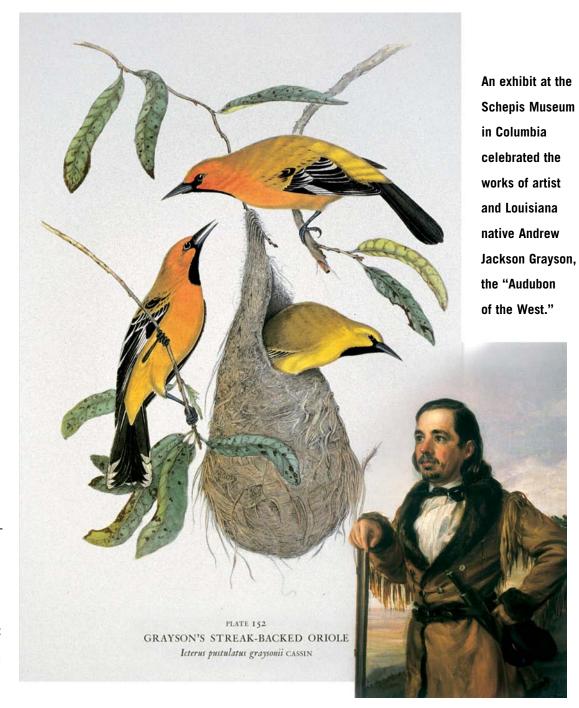
o3-772-157 / \$10,426 Schepis Foundation, Inc. Marie Keahey An intrepretive exhibit on the life and art of the Northeast Louisiana painter known as "the Audubon of the West."

■ PICTURES THAT TELL STORIES: LITERATURE & LEGENDS THROUGH THE VISUAL ARTS

o3-772-158 / \$17,973 Meadows Museum of Art Diane G. Dufilho Annual public lecture series and special museum forum developed in tandem with the Meadows Museum of Art's exhibitions and permanent collections.

■ ART & ARCHAELOLOGY: St. AUGUSTINE'S SHARDS OF HISTORY 03-772-160 / \$10,050

Ogden Museum of Southern Art Ann Rowson-Love A public exhibition and lecture series inspired by an archaeological dig at St. Augustine





The Louisiana Art & Science Museum and Louisiana's Bicentennial merged in an exhibition featuring Josephine, Napoleon's wife.

Church in the Trémé section of New Orleans, one of the oldest African American neighborhoods in America.

■ JOSEPHINE, LE GRAND
AMOUR DE NAPOLEON
03-772-162 / \$9,271
Louisiana Art and
Science Museum
An exhibition, featuring
Napoleon's wife, Josephine, in
conjunction with the statewide
celebration of the Bicentennial
of the Louisiana Purchase.

■ THE OTHELLO PROJECT 03-772-166 / \$7,534 University of Louisiana at Lafayette Sarah Stravinska A series of presentations, investigating the various artistic takes on this Shakespearian tragedy through opera, dance and film.

HIS LIFE, TIMES & LEGACY:
A COMMUNITY FORUM
03-772-167 / \$13,600
LSU-Shreveport
William D. Pederson
A three-day community forum,
exploring America's renaissance president and how his
legacy influenced Abraham
Lincoln.

■ Thomas Jefferson:

FACES AND CULTURES OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY 03-772-169 / \$18,545 Louisiana State University Yvonne Fuentes The five-day symposium celebrated the Bicentennial of the Louisiana Purchase by examin-

■ LOUISIANA PURCHASE:

ing the state's multiethnic and multicultural heritage.

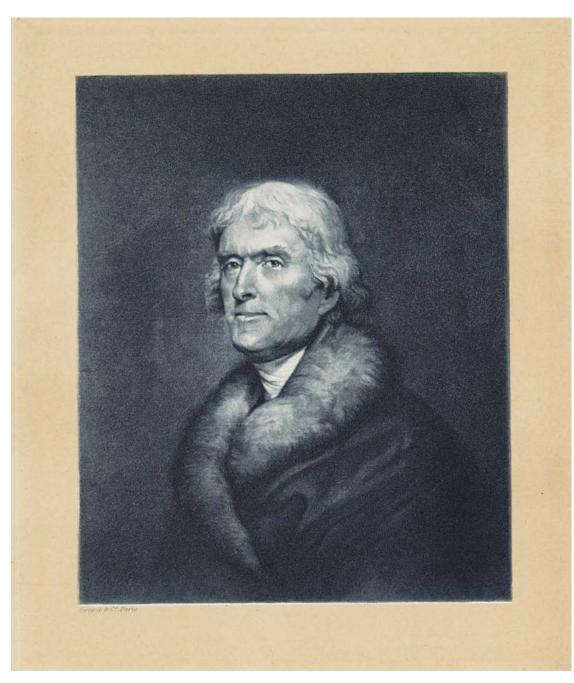
■ LOUISIANA INDIAN
HERITAGE ASSOCIATION'S
37TH ANNUAL FALL
POWWOW & 38TH ANNUAL
SPRING POWWOW
03-772-170 / \$16,405
Louisiana Indian Heritage
Association, Inc.
Andrea Randazzo
Supported interpretive events
at two Native American festivals including symposia, cultural demonstrations, exhibits, authentic music, crafts and storytelling.

■ LOUISIANA FOLKLIFE
FESTIVAL 2003
03-772-171 / \$16,068
City of Monroe
J. Michael Luster
Two-day free event offered
examinations of narrative,
music, craft and foodways in
the context of family, ethnic,
occupational, regional, religious, age-, and gender-based
folk groups.

BOOK FESTIVAL
03-772-173 / \$14,429
Louisiana Library Foundation
Rod Mills
Second annual festival celebrated many of Louisiana's
best poets, writers and story-tellers in a daylong program of readings, discussions and performances.

■ 2003 LOUISIANA

■ Words & Music: A Literary Feast IN New Orleans 03-772-175 / \$15,200



LSU-Shreveport hosted a three-day forum on Thomas Jefferson, America's renaissance president.

The Pirate's Alley
Faulkner Society, Inc.
Rosemary James
Annual event celebrates the life
and works of William Faulkner.

■ LOUISIANA CROSSROADS SEASON 4

o3-772-178 / \$14,700 Acadiana Arts Council Todd Mouton Informance and radio broadcast series featured 12 events combining performances by acclaimed musicians with scholar-led discussions.

■ MUSIC AT THE MINT 03-772-179 / \$5,715 Louisiana Museum Foundation Steve Teeter Ninth season of this popular series of music informances at the Louisiana State Museum.

■ BANNERS: THE McNEESE ARTS & HUMANITIES SERIES 03-772-208 / \$7,800 McNeese Foundation Janet Allured Annual lecture series that featured talks by distinguished scholars John Michael Vlach, Muhsin Jassim al-Musawi, and Charles Kimball.

STORY" EXHIBIT 03-772-216 / \$4,641 Friends of the Library, Iberia Parish Public Library Shane K. Bernard, Ph. D. Exhibit and 30-minute video on the diary of a young Holocaust victim. Program included public lectures by scholars and a

■ "THE ANNE FRANK

Holocaust survivor.

Documentary Film & Radio Grants

DOCUMENTARY FILM AND RADIO PROJECTS are the LEH's most costeffective grants. These projects have the potential to reach all Louisiana residents simultaneously through broadcast on public radio or television. Actual audience numbers show that a documentary film can be provided to a Louisiana audience for as little as 10 cents per viewer. In addition, our efforts have made the LEH the state's largest supporter of documentary film and radio projects for more than 20 years. Films funded by the LEH are made available after broadcast through the Louisiana State Library Audiovisual Resource Center. All films published in the LEH Media Catalog are available to Louisiana residents with library cards.

■ QUEEN FOR A DAY
03-772-184 / \$14,800
Video Veracity, Inc.
Rebecca Snedeker
Documentary film about the
old-line debutante and carnival
society of New Orleans.



The documentary film Queen for a Day showed New Orleans' old-line debutante and carnival society.

■ THE JAMES BLACK RADIO PROJECT

03-772-187 / \$20,940 Center for Gulf South History and Culture David Kunian Radio documentary on legendary New Orleans drummer James Black and his contributions to the city's rich musical heritage.

■ GERMAN NEW ORLEANS 03-772-220 / \$24,116 WYES-TV Terri Landry Third in a series of documentary films about the contributions of various ethnic groups to the history and culture of New Orleans.

■ THE CREOLES OF CANE RIVER

o3-772-221 / \$25,500 St. Augustine Historical Society Bill Rodman Documentary film on the emergence of a multi-ethnic race and culture unique to Louisiana.

■ SIGNPOST TO FREEDOM: THE 1953 BATON ROUGE BUS BOYCOTT

03-772-225 / \$14,931
Foundation for Excellence in
Louisiana Public Broadcasting
Christina Melton
Documentary film chronicling
events leading to the first largescale bus boycott challenging
segregation in U.S. history.

Louisiana Publishing Initiative

SEVERAL YEARS AGO, the LEH established its Louisiana Publishing Initiative grants to help writers and photographers tell the endless stories of Louisiana's history, landscape, people, towns and cities, triumphs and tragedies, music and literature, and architectural monuments to its living and dead. Thanks in part to these grants, writers, photographers and publishers have produced for the public many outstanding publications that explore Louisiana's contribution to the humanities in literature, history, languages, music, cultural anthropology and folklife. LPI grants, which can be made directly to writers and photographers or to publishers, are awarded annually on a competitive basis. The goal is to increase the quality and quantity of books published on Louisiana topics in the humanities that are of interest to general audiences. The list of 2003 LPI grants follows:

■ LOUISIANA'S CAJUNS AT THE CROSSROADS 03-772-144 / \$4,000 Lee Celano Photographer Lee Celano captures the Americanization of Cajun Louisiana.

- GREEK REVIVAL TO
 GREEK TRAGEDY: THE LIFE
 & WORK OF HENRY HOWARD
 03-772-147 / \$5,500
 Robert S. Brantley
 Architectural legacy of one of
 Louisiana's most prominent
 19th century architects
 explored in this photographic
 survey.
- PROCEEDINGS OF THE
 LOUISIANA PURCHASE
 BICENTENNIAL CONFERENCE,
 NEW ORLEANS,
 JANUARY 22-25, 2003
 03-772-151 / \$4,000
 Paul E. Hoffman
 Published papers presented at the Louisiana Purchase
 Bicentennial Conference, sponsored by The Historic New
 Orleans Collection, Louisiana
 Historical Association and
 LEH.
- Do Not Tear Up My
 EARTH: DOCUMENTING
 WOMEN'S VOICES IN
 LOUISIANA'S GRASSROOTS
 ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT,
 1970-1990
 03-772-152 / \$4,000
 Peggy Frankland
 Book explores the roles and contributions women have made in Louisiana's environ-

mental movement.



The works of prominent 19th-century Louisiana architect Henry Howard inspired a photographic survey.



Louisiana photographer Clarence John Laughlin's images captured a fading glimpse of a by-gone era in *Haunter of Ruins*.

■ JOHN McDonogh, PUBLIC & PRIVATE 03-772-153 / \$4,000 Dayna Harpster Biography of 19th Century philanthropist John McDonogh, who left his fortune to creating public schools for the children of New Orleans

Outreach Grants

and Baltimore.

LEH Outreach Grants encourage community groups throughout the state to develop humanities projects that celebrate and preserve local culture and heritage, as well as introduce people to new ones. Designed to fund programs of three months or less in duration, these grants of up to \$2,500 provide for a wide range of interests and needs in a state of such great diversity. In 2003, Outreach Grants made a significant difference in the cultural life of Louisiana's residents in both urban and rural areas.

■ ALNICE CLEOPATRA
VINCENT / ELOISE JOHNSON
CONVERSATION

OG 03-772-075 / \$2,000 Black Heritage Festival of Louisiana Stella Miller Dr. Eloise Johnson conducted a public interview with visual artist Alnice Cleopatra Vincent, exploring the influence of African motifs and rural southern culture in her work.

- PUTTING A FACE
 ON ACADIAN HISTORY
 OG 03-772-081 / \$2,500
 Acadian Memorial Foundation
 Brenda C. Trahan
 Production of an audio-interactive component that builds
 upon the influence and work of
 Robert Dafford's murals of
 refugee Acadians with authenticated first-person accounts
 read by professional actors.
- In CELEBRATION
 OF THE PURCHASE: CARTES
 HISTORIQUE DE LOUISIANE
 OG 03-772-082 / \$2,400
 Nicholls State University
 Carol Mathias
 Exhibit of 18th- and 19thCentury Louisiana maps with a
 panel discussion about the relevance of these maps to the
 Louisiana Purchase.
- LOUISIANA'S CULTURAL
 HERITAGE: IMAGES DE FRANCE
 OG 03-772-085 / \$1,409
 Vermilion Parish Tourist
 Commission
 Lynn Ammon Hair
 An exhibit of Lee Estes's photographs of France, designed to reveal the similarities and differences between France and Louisiana.

- BAYOU LAFOURCHE
 HERITAGE CELEBRATION
 OG 03-772-087 / \$2,500
 Bayou Civic Club
 Henri Boulet
 Panel discussions on the influences of the Louisiana
 Purchase, featuring scholars
 Gerald Bodet, Raphael
 Cassimere, David Cheramie,
 Barry Ancelet, John Doucet
 and Günter Bischof.
- CLAIBORNE PARISH IN
 THE 1920S: THE OIL BOOM
 OG 03-772-088 / \$1,000
 Herbert S. Ford Memorial
 Museum
 Linda Volentine
 Planning grant to develop an
 interpretive exhibit focusing on
 the discovery of oil in Claiborne
 Parish and its impact on the
 life, culture and society of
 north Louisiana.
- SAVING OUR LOCAL
 BLACK CULTURE & HERITAGE
 OG 03-772-090 / \$1,484
 Centennial Cultural Center, Inc.
 Deanie Lofton
 Discussion and informational
 brochure on the heritage of
 African-Americans in LaSalle
 Parish by Dr. Anna C. Burns.
- THE SANKOFA SERIES
 OG 03-772-091 / \$2,000
 Pamoja Art Society
 Leia Lewis
 Two lectures by Willie Burton
 and Ernest Lampkins for The
 Sankofa Series, a project that
 commemorates the African and
 African-American cultural heritage of Louisiana.

■ FLETCHER LECTURE SERIES WITH MAXINE HONG KINGSTON

OG 03-772-092 / \$2,000 Nicholls State University Gina MacDonald Award winning Chinese-American novelist, short story writer and poet, Maxine Hong Kingston was the keynote speaker for the 2003 Fletcher Lecture Series at Nicholls.

■ Touro Synagogue History Road Show

OG 03-772-093 / \$850 Touro Synagogue Lester Sullivan A one-day "history road show" designed to collect oral histories and archival material for an exhibition of Jewish Life in New Orleans for Touro Synagogue.

- SAINTS & SINNERS:
 A LITERARY EVENT OF
 THE NO/AIDS TASK FORCE
 OG 03-772-094 / \$2,500
 NO/AIDS Task Force
 Paul J. Willis
 Panel discussions focusing on
 the history of publishing at a
 three-day literary festival featuring authors and scholars of
 gay and lesbian literature.
- DIXIE OVERLAND HIGHWAY (US 80) IN LOUISIANA, A PARTIAL PERSPECTIVE OG 03-772-099 / \$1,000 Friends of the Library ULM H. Glenn Jordan Planning grant to collect and organize photos and materials for an exhibition on the Dixie Overland Highway.

- LOUISIANA FILMMAKERS
 OG 03-772-101 / \$2,425
 Ascension Parish Library
 John R. May
 Film discussion series, celebrating the Bicentennial of the
 Louisiana Purchase, featuring
 work by film writers, actors,
 cinematographers, directors
 and producers influenced by the
 state and its diverse cultures.
- LOUISIANA PURCHASE BICENTENNIAL TRAVELING DISPLAY

OG 03-772-104 / \$2,500 Ouachita Parish Public Library Julie Crump In commemoration of the Bicentennial, the library hosted a traveling exhibit showcasing the development of the Louisiana Purchase territory.

■ "COFFEE & CONVERSATION"
A SERIES OF LITERARY
DISCUSSIONS

OG 03-772-106 / \$2,000 Tennessee Williams/New Orleans Literary Festival Paul J. Willis Monthly literary series at the Jefferson Parish Main Library with notable writers discussing topics ranging from Storyville to Martha Washington.

■ SWAN SERIES: "A HOUSE NOT MEANT TO STAND" LITERARY DISCUSSIONS

OG 03-772-107 / \$1,472 Shakespeare Festival at Tulane Aimee Michel Workshop presentations of "A House Not Meant to Stand," an unpublished play by Tennessee Williams, with accompanying discussion sessions moderated by Elizabeth Barron.

■ FANFARE HEADLINER: RICK BRAGG

OG 03-772-117 / \$2,500 Southeastern Louisiana University Donna Gay Anderson Pulitzer Prize winning author and former New York Times journalist Rick Bragg was the featured headliner of this month-long annual cultural festival.

The annual Fanfare festival at Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond attracted Pulitzer Prize-winning author Rick Bragg. ■ CREOLE LEGACIES:
THE CURRENT STATUS
& FUTURE PROSPECTS OF
CREOLE STUDIES RESEARCH
OG 03-772-118 / \$2,500
Tulane University
Thomas A. Klingler
Conference was developed to
bring together members of the
Creole community with scholars on all aspects of Creole
studies.

■ TOM DENT LITERARY FESTIVAL

OG 03-772-119 / \$2,000 New Orleans Public Library Foundation Valencia Hawkins Annual three-day literary festival, promoting African American literature and a keynote address by featured author Kysha N. Brown.

■ WHISPERINGS: A COVINGTON CEMETERY LIVING HISTORY TOUR

OG 03-772-120 / \$1,850 St. Tammany Parish Library Linda Brown-Kubisch Costumed re-enactors assumed the roles of long-dead Covington residents for visitors to this historic cemetery on All Saints Day.

■ Relive History with Jim Bowie

OG 03-772-122 / \$2,000 Vidalia Chamber of Commerce Aissa L. Wiggins Historian Jack R. Edmondson reprised his role as the legendary Jim Bowie in three separate events at the annual Jim Bowie Days town festival.

■ HAUNTER OF RUINS: THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF CLARENCE JOHN LAUGHLIN OG 03-772-123 / \$2,500 Opelousas Museum of Art Keith J. Guidry Exhibition of prints by the renowned Louisiana master photographer Clarence John Laughlin and lecture by John H. Lawrence of The Historic New Orleans Collection.

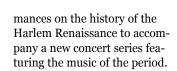
■ KILLING GROUND:
PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE
CIVIL WAR & THE CHANGING
AMERICAN LANDSCAPE
OG 03-772-124 / \$2,500
Contemporary Arts Center,
New Orleans
Rashida Ferdinand
Panel discussion of the exhibition, "Killing Ground:
Photographs of the Civil War
and the Changing American
Landscape," a photographic
journey of 62 battlefield sites.

■ THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE LEGACY & PROMISE: A FILM SERIES

OG 03-772-128 / \$1,967 Delta FilmWorks Bette J. Kauffman Two film series explored the cultural legacy of the Louisiana Purchase and its continuing effect on contemporary Louisiana culture.

■ FROM HARLEM TO NEW ORLEANS: A CELEBRATION IN WORDS & MUSIC

OG 03-772-131 / \$2,000 Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra Babs Mollere Development of concert infor-



■ EVERYTHING IS LOVELY
OG 03-772-132 / \$2,450
G.H.B. Jazz Foundation in
New Orleans
Michael John Burns
One-hour radio documentary
on Harold Dejean, founder of
the Olympia Brass Band, who

almost single-handedly secured the continuation of the New Orleans brass band tradition.

■ COMMODORE PERRY'S
150-YEAR LEGACY:
TAKAMINE, HEARN & OTHER
TIES TO NEW ORLEANS
OG 03-772-136 \$1,350
Japan Society of New Orleans
Nancy Turner
Presentations by Naoyuki
Agawa, Joan Bennett and

Contrasting scenes from then and now — like these from Baton Rouge — were featured in Killing Ground: Photographs of the Civil War and the Changing American Landscape.





Charles Chamberlain to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Commodore Perry's visit to Japan.

■ A DISCUSSION OF THE
SANTA ELENA ARCHAEOLOGICAL
SITE & RECENT WORK IN
LOUISIANA & THE LOWER
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY
OG 03-772-137 / \$2,146
Central Louisiana Archaeology
Chapter, Louisiana

Archaeological Society
Nancy Affeltranger
Keynote presentation by Dr.
Stanley South on the Santa
Elena archaeological site, occupied by the Spanish and the
French as early as 1566.

■ YORUBA MYTHS & THE HUMANIZING OF THE GODS OG 03-772-139 / \$2,000 Loyola University Phanuel Egejuru

Public lecture by Nigerian playwright and Nobel Laureate Wole Soyinka on African concepts of God, the nature of God and the relationship between God and humans.

■ THE TRUTH THAT NEVER
HURTS: 30 YEARS OF WRITING
& ORGANIZING FOR JUSTICE &
SOCIAL CHANGE — A LECTURE
BY BARBARA SMITH
OG 03-772-141 / \$1,500

University of New Orleans Janelle L. White Scholar-activist Barbara Smith presented the inaugural lecture launching UNO's Women's and International Studies bachelor of arts programs.

- DARING WOMEN
 IN THE ENLIGHTENMENT
 OG 03-772-142 / \$1,500
 LSU-Shreveport
 Diane E. Boyd
 Dr. Paula Backscheider,
 scholar of 18th Century and
 women's studies, presented the
 plenary talk at this symposium.
- THIRD WORLD STUDIES
 DURING THE BICENTENNIAL
 OF THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE
 OG 03-772-143 / \$1,000
 LSU-Shreveport
 Marguerite R. Plummer
 Plenary addresses by Thelma
 Thompson and A.B. Assensoh
 at the 21st annual meeting of
 the Association of Third World
 Studies.
- KEEPING SECRETS:
 WOMEN, FICTION & THE SOUTH
 OG 03-772-144 / \$2,415
 Ascension Parish Library
 Mimi Foster
 Reading program, featuring
 five Southern women's novels
 with discussions on issues of
 regional identities based on
 shared histories, race, communities and cultures.
- THE WILLIAM BEECHER
 STUDY PROJECT
 OG 03-772-145 / \$1,000
 Louisiana State University
 Maia Jelanak
 Planning grant to support the

interpretation of works by William Beecher, an outsider artist who spent most of his life as a patient in state mental health facilities.

- EXILE, SEGREGATION & THE LANGUAGE AND POLITICS OF IDENTITY
 OG 03-772-146 / \$1,818
 Louisiana State University
 Lisa Costello
 Award-winning poet
 NatashaTrethewey gave the keynote presentation at the
 LSU English Graduate Student
 Association's annual conference.
- BIRDSPACE: A POST-AUDUBON ARTISTS AVIARY
 OG 03-772-147 / \$2,500
 Contemporary Arts Center
 David S. Rubin
 Artists Jacqueline Bishop,
 Mary Blue, Donna Bonner and
 John O'Neill discussed the
 humanistic themes of the
 exhibition.
- CREATIVE ALLIANCES IN NEW ORLEANS: A FORUM FOR ARTS & CULTURAL ADMINISTRATORS, CITY Officials, Artists, & FOUNDATION DIRECTORS OG 03-772-149 / \$1,000 Center for Arts and Culture and Contemporary Arts Center Mary Lee Forum for arts and cultural administrators, city officials, individual artists and foundation directors to bring a national cultural policy perspective to New Orleans.

LEH HUMANITIES AWARDS |

On April 16, 2003, Louisiana Governor Murphy J. Foster, state Division of Administration Commissioner Mark Drennen and other Louisiana residents received special humanities awards presented by the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities during a ceremony at the Governor's Mansion in Baton Rouge.

Each year, the LEH presents its awards to Louisianians and others who have made outstanding contributions to the study and understanding of the humanities and Louisiana culture. Foster and Drennen received the Chair's Award for Institutional Support, which is awarded by the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, or LEH, to individuals who demonstrate outstanding support for humanities organizations in Louisiana. In naming Governor Foster and Commissioner Drennen, the LEH Board of Directors said the officials had demonstrated unprecedented support for the humanities in Louisiana during the previous seven years. Also receiving 2003 Humanities awards were:

- LEH Humanist of the Year Beth Willinger, New Orleans resident and executive director of the Newcomb College Center for Research on Women at Tulane University. Willinger has focused both her professional career and civic involvements on improving opportunities for and the lives of women. She serves as vice chair for the Louisiana Women's Policy and Research Commission. In addition, Willinger has been a board member of the National Council for Research on Women and is currently researching women's employment in the New Orleans gaming industry.
- Lifetime Achievement Award James F. Sefcik, New Orleans resident and director of the Louisiana State Museum, for 15-year leadership and tenacity in spreading the history and culture of Louisiana around the state in a wide array of exhibits.
- Special Humanities Awards were presented to Olivia Pass of Thibodaux, professor of languages and literature at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, who has served as a scholar for numerous LEH programs including Prime Time Family Reading Time, Readings in Literature and Culture, and Teacher Institutes for Advanced Study; Judy Boyce, Baton Rouge resident and youth services librarian at the West Baton Rouge Parish Library, who has coordinated over ten LEH Prime Time Family Reading Time programs; David Moore of



LEH Humanities Awards winners for 2003 were, seated from left, Olivia Pass, Beth Willinger, Deborah Robertson, Dianne Brady; standing, David Moore, Reba Capers (accepting for the late Lloyd Vogt), Jay Edwards, Rachel Brittain, James Sefcik, Sharon Cormier, Bryan Gowland, Morris Taft Thomas, Judy Boyce and William Detweiler. Not shown are Gov. Mike Foster, Mark Drennen, and Marcel Boyer.

New Orleans, specialist and department chair of Louisiana History at Loyola University, who has led 23 LEH Readings in Literature and Culture programs throughout the greater New Orleans area; and, Deborah Robertson of Chicago, director of the Public Programs Office of the American Library Association, whose leadership helped expand Prime Time nationally to 32 states and the Virgin Islands.

- Book of the Year awards went to "Historic Buildings of the French Quarter" by Lloyd Vogt of New Orleans and to Marcel Boyer and Jay Edwards' "Plantations by the River" for advancing an understanding of and appreciation for Louisiana's architectural history.
- Humanities Teacher of the Year awards went to Bryan Gowland, an Abita Springs resident and retired history teacher in the St. Tammany School system; Sharon Cormier, Lake Charles resident and social studies teacher at South Beauregard High School; and Rachel Brittain of Natchitoches for her work at Weaver and Provencal elementary schools.
- Dianne Brady of Monroe was recognized for 10 years of employment at the LEH as project director of PRIME TIME FAMILY READING TIME_®.

Awards also went to two LEH board members who retired in 2002, Morris Taft Thomas of Alexandria and William Detweiler, a Metairie lawyer who resides in New Orleans.

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