



NATIONAL
ENDOWMENT
FOR THE
HUMANITIES

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS FOR MAINE

**Grants to Maine Organizations and Individuals in 2022,
including from the *American Rescue Plan* – \$4,245,209**

Number of Grantees – 21

Recent Project Highlights:

- The Maine State Library received a \$223,575 grant to digitize 100,000 newspaper pages through the National Digital Newspaper Program. The grant will focus on historic papers that capture the experiences of Maine people that are historically underrepresented, specifically those who spoke languages other than English.
- The University of Maine System received a grant to create a multi-part, interactive, public website for students to explore the geographies of the Holocaust. The website will provide a wealth of data on SS camps and Jewish ghettos, linked through place associations to passages in survivor testimony of 4,000 individuals.

NEH also provides annual funding to the [Maine Humanities Council](#), the designated humanities council in the state, to support a wide array of public programming.

Recent Maine Humanities Council Highlights:

- Provided funding to Indigo Arts Alliance to support their Beautiful Blackbird Children’s Book Festival. The festival celebrates Black and Black Immigrant children’s books and their creators, giving over 4,000 books to families annually.
- Launched a discussion program and speaker series on issues ranging from equity, inclusion, justice, and democracy to the Covid-19 pandemic and the crisis of climate change. These presentations explore big “What If?” questions and prioritize communities traditionally under-resourced by the humanities.

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