



Humanities Hotline Application 2021

Humanities Kansas is looking for some great storytellers and humanities presenters interested in being on the Humanities Hotline. Join us!

Story submissions will be reviewed every other month and those selected to be featured on the free Humanities Hotline will receive a \$100 honorarium. Topics and presenters are promoted statewide through the Humanities Kansas website, weekly newspapers, social media, and other platforms. Call the free hotline now for inspiration at 1-888-416-2018 or explore past topics on the Humanities Kansas website: <https://www.humanitieskansas.org/grants-programs/initiatives/humanities-hotline>.

Submit:

- A type-written script that will take you no more than three minutes to record on the humanities subject of your choosing. Hotline stories are intended to explore Kansas history, local and world literature, pop culture with a humanities twist, or ideas that spark conversations.
- Include your name, contact information, affiliation, and humanities background.
- Successful stories will do all or almost all of the following:
 - 1) Focus on a unique and interesting humanities topic.
 - 2) Feature a little known story or underheard perspective.
 - 3) Demonstrate the expert knowledge of the storyteller—storytellers should have an advanced degree in a humanities field or be a culture bearer for their community.
 - 4) Be written in a simple, straightforward style that is easy for a general audience to understand over the phone.

Evaluation Criteria:

Story submissions will be evaluated on the following:

- 1) Quality of the story.
- 2) Credentials of the presenter.
- 3) Does the story present a perspective or topic that has not previously been covered on the Humanities Kansas Hotline?
- 4) Does the presenter come from a Kansas community that has not recently participated in the Humanities Kansas Hotline?

Deadlines:

Deadlines for story submissions are every other month, starting March 1st at 11:59pm as follows:

- March 1st, 2021 at 11:59pm
- May 1st, 2021 at 11:59pm
- July 1st, 2021 at 11:59pm
- September 1st, 2021 at 11:59pm
- November 1st, 2021 at 11:59pm

Story scripts should be submitted as Word documents to Sarah Bishop at sarah@humanitieskansas.org. Late stories will be considered in the next round. Storytellers will be notified of the success of their stories no later than one week after the submission deadline. Successful storytellers will be scheduled to record their stories over the phone later that month.

Questions? Email sarah@humanitieskansas.org

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