SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
INDIANA HUMANITIES ACTIVITY, 2009-10

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT
HOST SITES FOR THE FOOD FOR THOUGHT TRAVELING EXHIBIT:
- Eiteljorg Indian Market
- Indiana Black Expo
- Indiana State Fair
- Dig-IN
- Indiana State Museum
- Central Library, Spirit & Place Festival
- International Festival

PARTNERS:
- BIG CAR, INDIANAPOLIS
  Food for Thought Programs - $4,300
  Writing project for inner-city students; restauranteur oral history.
- HARRISON CENTER FOR THE ARTS, INDIANAPOLIS
  A Cultural History - $2,000
  Exhibit and programs on lozzo's Garden, Indy's first Italian restaurant.
- INDIANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INDIANAPOLIS
  You Are There 1949 - $7,000
  An Immigrant's Story is a new interactive exhibit on immigrants to the city after WWII.
- INDIANA STATE FAIR COMMISSION, INDIANAPOLIS
  Exhibit on State Fair Food - $5,000
  How crops and livestock are related to the traditional food of the State Fair.
- INDIANA STATE MUSEUM FOUNDATION, INDIANAPOLIS
  The Hoosier Harvest - $2,000
  A month-long celebration of Indiana agriculture.
• **INDIANAPOLIS MUSEUM OF ART, INDIANAPOLIS**
  Vienna Vegetable Orchestra - $7,500
  Educational programs in support of a performance by the group.
• **PRESIDENT BENJAMIN HARRISON FOUNDATION, INC., INDIANAPOLIS**
  History for Lunch - $2,500
  Speaking engagement by Barry Landau, expert on White House/First Family history.
• **SPIRIT & PLACE FESTIVAL, INDIANAPOLIS**
  Public Conversation - $4,508
  Keynote presentation at city-wide festival with Food for Thought theme.
• **WFYI, INDIANAPOLIS**
  Spirited Chase - $1,000
  Thanksgiving stories & Spirited Chase to Indianapolis food destinations.

**SPECIAL EVENTS:**
Food for Thought: How Hoosiers Can End Hunger
A panel discussion about global and local hunger that featured Roger Thurow, author and journalist; Ted McKinney, senior director corporate affairs at Elanco; and Jerry Adams, chairman of the board at Second Helpings. WFYI broadcast the discussion on Tuesday, March 8, at 7 p.m. on 90.1 FM.

An Evening with Anthony Bourdain and Eric Ripert
Indiana Humanities co-presented this event with Spirit & Place Festival, and brought in two vibrant celebrity chefs for a conversation about food and culture on Sept. 30. The sold-out show at Clowes Memorial Hall featured both pre- and post-events.

**FoodCon**
An unconventional convention at the Harrison Center for the Arts, this First Friday event drew more than 2,000 people and featured art, music and of course, food.

**Chew on This**
A one-night event at nine different locations around Marion County. Facilitators led attendees in a discussion about how Indiana’s strengths in agriculture and artisanal products can help position Indiana globally.

**NOVEL CONVERSATIONS PARTICIPANTS**
Arsenal Tech High School
Ivy Tech Community College
YWCA

**RECENT GRANTS AWARDED**
**INDIANA AND THE CIVIL WAR - A WEB ENCYCLOPEDIA**
Friends of the Indiana State Archives, Indianapolis – $2,000
The Indiana Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee will sponsor a project to produce a web-based compilation of essays and articles on Indiana in the Civil War. This grant will help to fund the production of the five core essays and a number of shorter articles highlighting current scholarship and historical interpretation. (To be completed by March 2011)
PEACE AMONG THE NATIONS: ABRAHAM IN JUDAISM, CHRISTIANITY AND ISLAM
Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis - $2,000
A concert and discussion on the Abrahamic tradition in the arts was the occasion for an interfaith dialogue between people of Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths in Indianapolis. (March 22, 2009)

INSPIRING PLACES: A PUBLIC CONVERSATION
The Polis Center, Indianapolis - $2,000
Grant funding helped to support the signature event of Indianapolis’ annual Spirit and Place Festival, a "Public Conversation" between former Indianapolis mayor William H. Hudnut, Ill, and John Fettermann, Mayor of Braddock, Pennsylvania. (Nov. 15, 2009)

MY PLACE IS IN THE VOTING BOOTH: SUFFRAGETTE HELEN M. GOUGAR
Indiana Supreme Court, Indianapolis - $2,000
A drama depicting Helen M. Gougar and the case she argued before the Indiana Supreme Court in support of her right to vote was developed. Presentations were scheduled at the Statehouse and DePauw University, and historical documents and the script were posted on the Supreme Court’s "Courts in the Classroom" website. (Nov. 2009 and March 2010)

SACRED AND PROFANE IN THE EARLY MODERN HISPANIC WORLD
Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis - $1,000
A two-day symposium was co-hosted by the Indianapolis Museum of Art and Indiana University (Bloomington) in conjunction with a fall 2009 exhibition at the IMA on "Sacred Spain: Art and Belief in the Spanish World." (Oct. 16-17, 2009)

ETHICAL AND SOCIAL ISSUES IN COMPARATIVE EFFECTIVENESS RESEARCH
Indiana University (Indianapolis), Indianapolis - $1,300
A public lecture by Norman Daniels of Harvard University and a university study group took up the topic of “comparative effectiveness” as a criteria for providing health care. (Oct. 20, 2010, Daniels lecture)

NATURALLY, VICTORIAN! FASHIONABLE, FRUGAL LIVING FOR MODERN TIMES
Morris-Butler House Museum, Indianapolis - $2,000
For its annual theme, the Morris-Butler House chose "Naturally Victorian," a demonstration of nineteenth-century cookery and household practices that were frugal and earth-friendly. This grant helped the museum to acquire artifacts and materials for the new program. (Jan.-Oct. 2010)

RE-RAISING THE BARN
Indiana State Fair Commission, Indianapolis – $2,000
A new 1/4 scale model of a pin frame barn was fabricated for the Indiana State Fair Commission's educational outreach program. The model traveled to schools where students can hammer pegs, fit mortises into tenons, and place rafters in their notches to "raise the barn." (Aug. 13, 2009, debut at State Fair’s Heritage Day)

THE PRESIDENT’S HOME: A TOUR IN MANY LANGUAGES
President Benjamin Harrison Foundation, Inc., Indianapolis - $2,000
An updated written version of the President Benjamin Harrison Home’s daily tour was prepared and translated into five languages—Spanish, Chinese, Russian, French, and Japanese. (July 2009)

HOME GROWN INDIANA TOUR
Indiana State Library, Indianapolis - $2,000
Five forums held at public libraries in different regions of the state will be led by Christine Barbour of Indiana University and Scott Hutcheson of Purdue University. Connections between Hoosier culture and the food grown and consumed in Indiana will serve as the background to an examination of the Slow Food and "eating local" philosophies. (Jan.-Oct. 2011)
UNEXPECTED GUESTS AT THE TABLE
Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis - $2,000
What do different faith traditions teach about feeding the hungry? This evening of interfaith storytelling presented sacred literature that has inspired faith communities and stories of contemporary Hoosiers working together to feed the hungry. (Nov. 2010)

INDIANA DEAD POETS CELEBRATION
Brick Street Poetry, Indianapolis - $800
Costumed readers read the poetry of Sarah Bolton, James Whitcomb Riley, Meredith Nicholson, Etheridge Knight, and Ruth Lilly at Crown Hill Cemetery. Funding was requested for honoraria and refreshments typical of the era. (May 4, 2010)

IT'S OUR WORLD: LESSONS FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION
Kappa Delta Pi Educational Foundation, Indianapolis - $2,000
A day-long conference for middle school through collegiate level educators was convened in Indianapolis to examine the cultural and political context of peace and reconciliation. (Nov. 6, 2010)

2010 INDIANA TOWN HALL SERIES ON THE ENVIRONMENT
Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis - $2,000
A fall series of three programs brought together historians and other experts in public discussions of environmental issues as they affect state/regional, urban and rural communities. (Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 16, 2010)

SERVICE THROUGH SPONGE CAKE: COOKBOOKS SHAPING COMMUNITIES
IUPUI University Library, Indianapolis - $1,800
A lecture and discussion featuring food historian Anne L. Bower introduced IUPUI Library's newly digitized collection of community cookbooks from the Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library. The project focused on Indiana cookbooks dating from the turn of the century, with a special emphasis on fundraising cookbooks published by churches, synagogues and other community organizations. (Nov. 10, 2010)

INTERNATIONAL INTERFAITH INITIATIVE FALL CONFERENCE
Peace Learning Center, Indianapolis - $2,000
This grant helped to support the 4th annual fall conference of the International Interfaith Initiative. Major speakers included Eboo Patel, author Amy Kronish, Chief Avrol Looking Horse and David Carlson, Professor of Religious Studies at Franklin College. (Nov. 5, 2010)

BUILDING ON COMMUNITY: STORIES FROM HISTORIC NEAR WESTSIDE PLACES
Indiana Association of Historians, Indianapolis - $1,995
Teachers from IPS Wendell Phillips Elementary School participated in a collaborative workshop to create curriculum units on historic properties in Haughville on Indianapolis’ Near Westside. This neighborhood illustrates dynamic cultural transitions with successive German, Slovenian, African American and Hispanic populations, anchored by St. Anthony and Holy Trinity Catholic Churches, the Slovene National Home and Central State Hospital (now the Indiana Medical History Museum). Collaborators included the Indiana State Library and the Slovenian Cultural Society. (Summer 2010, workshop)

SPECIAL EVENTS

IndyTalks
Indiana Humanities is collaborating with a number of other organizations to encourage audiences to converse, connect and create, through the IndyTalks series. Each organization hosts one event a month to help create and foster a sense of community through civic dialogue.

Evenings at the House
In 2009 and 2010, Indiana Humanities partnered with a variety of organizations to host “Evenings at the House,” a series which took advantage of Indianapolis’ First Friday to attract people to downtown arts galleries and museums. Partners include Indiana Poet Laureate Norbert Krapf, The Mind Trust, Indiana Artisan and more.
Civilty in a Fractured Society
NEH Chairman Jim Leach’s Civility Tour included a stop in Indiana on Sept. 22, 2010. Mr. Leach spoke about civility in the U.S. and how arts, culture and the humanities can help heal our fractured society. He was joined on a panel at the IMA by Rabbi Sandy Sasso and DePauw University President Dr. Brian W. Casey.

Sportsmanship, Competition and Civility in Athletics
Mr. Leach also headlined a special discussion about civility and sports at Conseco Fieldhouse. Fellow panelists included Mr. Clark Kellogg, Mr. Bill Polian, Coach Beth K. Wilmeth and Dr. Bernard Franklin. The NCAA was the presenting sponsor.