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2012 Grant Program Awards

The Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor awarded \$43,700 in grants in 2012 to assist organizations with canal-related planning, preservation and education projects.

Albany Institute of History and Art

Project Name: Erie Canal Lesson Plan

Description: The Institute will develop a lesson plan that uses art and artifacts from the Institute's collection to help students explore the history and use of the Erie Canal. The program will be offered via video conferencing and hosted on the Institute's website.

Amount: \$5,500

Type: Education

Location: City of Albany

County: Albany

Canal: Erie Canal

The Buffalo Zoo

Project Name: Erie Canalway Connections

Description: The Buffalo Zoo, in partnership with the Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society, will develop a new education program to focus on the interconnectedness of people, the local environment, and the Erie Canal, both past and present. The program will challenge students to consider how the Erie Canal affected (and continues to affect) not only people and society, but also domestic animals, wildlife, and natural habitats in New York State.

Amount: \$5,500

Type: Education

Location: City of Buffalo

County: Erie

Canal: Erie Canal

Chittenango Landing Canal Boat Museum

Project Name: Cultural Landscape Report

Description: The report will provide recommendations and strategies for enhancing Chittenango's dry-docks and historic character within the context of the museum's long-term plans. In particular, the report will document critically needed repairs and improvement projects, including the rehabilitation of the existing dry dock, its gates, and visitor walkway.

Amount: \$7,000

Type: Preservation of Historic and Cultural Resources

Location: Village of Chittenango

County: Madison

Canal: Erie Canal

Erie Canal Museum

Project Name: The Locks of the Erie Canal (Exhibit)

Description: This project will fund the preparation and exhibition of 57 original pen and ink drawings of Erie Canal locks and other canal structures by Syracuse artist Ray Sax. Work will include matting, framing, proper storage, and temporary exhibition for the exhibit.

Amount: \$6,156

Type: Interpretation and Orientation

Location: City of Syracuse

County: Onondaga

Canal: Erie Canal

New York Folklore Society

Project Name: Music of the Erie Canal Symposium

Description: The New York Folklore Society, in partnership with the Erie Canal Museum, will present a two-day symposium exploring the connections between the Erie Canal and traditional music in New York State. The symposium will involve panel discussions, musical performances, and the development of a post-symposium interactive website.

Amount: \$7,000

Type: Interpretation and Orientation

Location: City of Schenectady

County: Schenectady County

Canal: Erie Canal

Schenectady Museum & Suits–Bueche Planetarium

Project Name: Erie Canalway Audio Tour

Description: The museum will develop a mobile audio tour exploring the history and impact of the Erie Canal in downtown Schenectady. The tour will highlight the technological development that enabled the canal's construction, the canal's impact on the lives of the people who lived near it, and how the canal brought growth and new businesses to Upstate New York.

Amount: \$6,030

Type: Interpretation and Orientation

Location: City of Schenectady

County: Schenectady Counties

Canal: Erie Canal

The Public Broadcasting Council of Central New York (WCNY)

Project Name: The Erie Canal: 21st Century Minutes

Description: WCNY will produce six interstitials focused on people who tell the story of the canal as it is today. WCNY plans to air the interstitials on television and radio, upload them to its website, and make them available to affiliates from across New York State.

Amount: \$6,531

Type: Interpretation and Orientation

Location: Various Locations

County: Onondaga (Council Location)

Canal: Erie Canal