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## CT Humanities Awards More Than \$11.5 Million to 122 Nonprofit Museums, Support for Organizations Providing Free Admission to Children this Summer

MIDDLETOWN, CT – At their recent meeting, the board of directors of CT Humanities (CTH) awarded \$11,556,270 to 122 nonprofit museums. These grants support organizations participating in the 2022 CT Summer at the Museum initiative. From July 1 to September 5, Connecticut children aged 18 and under plus one accompanying Connecticut resident adult can visit participating museums free of charge through the Connecticut Summer at the Museum program. The intent is to help provide unencumbered access to museums for families across the state, regardless of income.

**According to Dr. Jason Mancini, executive director at CTH,** “Connecticut Humanities is thrilled to partner again with DECD’s CT Office of the Arts and the CT Office of Tourism to make this program possible. We thank Governor Lamont, Lt. Governor Bysiewicz, and members of the legislature for their inspired thinking and leadership. There is no better way to engage and inspire our kids and our families in Connecticut’s best than the CT Summer at the Museum program. We have over 130 of our finest museums and cultural organizations participating in this program. Almost double that of last year. Tribal museums, children’s museums, historic house museums, art museums, aquariums, the zoo, the science center, nature centers, and more!”

Connecticut Summer at the Museum is made possible through an investment from the federal COVID-19 recovery funding Connecticut is receiving from the American Rescue Plan Act. The program is administered by the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development’s Office of the Arts in partnership with Connecticut Humanities. For-profit museums were eligible for grants through the CT Office of the Arts and several museums that did not apply for funding are also providing free admission.

Visitors are directed to check each participant’s website for specific program details and ticket availability.

For the full list of participating museums, visit [CTSummerMuseum.com](http://CTSummerMuseum.com).

### The nonprofit museums receiving CT Summer at the Museum Grants from CT Humanities are:

Ansonia	<a href="#">Derby Historical Society</a>
Avon	<a href="#">Avon Historical Society</a>
Bethany	<a href="#">Bethany Historical Society</a>
Bloomfield	<a href="#">4-H Education Center at Auerfarm</a>
Branford	<a href="#">Stony Creek Museum</a>
Bridgeport	<a href="#">Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo</a>
Bridgeport	<a href="#">Discovery Museum and Planetarium</a>
Bristol	<a href="#">Imagine Nation</a>
	<a href="#">American Clock &amp; Watch Museum</a>

	<a href="#">Bristol Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">The New England Carousel Museum</a>
Brooklyn	<a href="#">Putnam Elms</a>
Canterbury	<a href="#">Finnish American Heritage Society</a>
	<a href="#">Prudence Crandall Museum</a>
Colchester	<a href="#">Colchester Historical Society</a>
Cos Cob	<a href="#">Greenwich Historical Society</a>
Danbury	<a href="#">Danbury Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Danbury Railway Museum</a>
Darien	<a href="#">Museum of Darien</a>
	<a href="#">The Mather Homestead</a>
East Granby	<a href="#">Old New-Gate Prison &amp; Copper Mine</a>
East Haddam	<a href="#">East Haddam Historical Society</a>
East Haven	<a href="#">The Shore Line Trolley Museum</a>
East Windsor	<a href="#">Connecticut Trolley Museum</a>
Eastford	<a href="#">Eastford Historical Society, Inc.</a>
Ellington	<a href="#">Ellington Historical Society</a>
Essex	<a href="#">Connecticut River Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Essex Historical Society</a>
Fairfield	<a href="#">Fairfield Museum and History Center</a>
Farmington	<a href="#">Farmington Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">Hill-Stead Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Stanley-Whitman House</a>
Franklin	<a href="#">Blue Slope Country Museum</a>
Glastonbury	<a href="#">Historical Society of Glastonbury</a>
Greenwich	<a href="#">Bruce Museum</a>
Groton	<a href="#">Avery-Copp Museum</a>
Guilford	<a href="#">Guilford Keeping Society</a>
	<a href="#">Henry Whitfield State Museum</a>
	<a href="#">The Dudley Farm Museum</a>
	<a href="#">The Hyland House Museum</a>
Haddam	<a href="#">Haddam Historical Society</a>
Hamden	<a href="#">Hamden Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">The Eli Whitney Museum</a>
Hartford	<a href="#">Connecticut Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">Connecticut Landmarks</a>
	<a href="#">Harriet Beecher Stowe Center</a>
	<a href="#">Real Art Ways</a>
	<a href="#">The Connecticut Democracy Center</a>
	<a href="#">The Mark Twain House &amp; Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art</a>
	<a href="#">Connecticut Science Center</a>
Kent	<a href="#">Eric Sloane Museum</a>
Lebanon	<a href="#">Lebanon Historical Society</a>
Litchfield	<a href="#">Litchfield Historical Society</a>
Manchester	<a href="#">Lutz Children's Museum</a>

Mashantucket	<a href="#">Mashantucket Pequot Museum &amp; Research Center</a>
Meriden	<a href="#">Meriden Historical Society</a>
Middletown	<a href="#">Kidcity Children's Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Middlesex County Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">The Greater Middletown Military Museum</a>
Milford	<a href="#">Milford Historical Society</a>
Mystic	<a href="#">Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center</a>
	<a href="#">Mystic Aquarium</a>
	<a href="#">Mystic Museum of Art</a>
	<a href="#">Mystic Seaport Museum</a>
New Britain	<a href="#">New Britain Museum of American Art</a>
	<a href="#">New Britain Youth Museum</a>
New Haven	<a href="#">New Haven Museum</a>
New London	<a href="#">Lyman Allyn Art Museum</a>
	<a href="#">New London Maritime Society at Custom House Maritime Museum</a>
New Milford	<a href="#">Harrybrooke Park</a>
Newtown	<a href="#">EverWonder Children's Museum</a>
Niantic	<a href="#">East Lyme Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">Niantic Children's Museum</a>
Norwalk	<a href="#">Norwalk Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">Norwalk Seaport Association</a>
	<a href="#">The Lockwood-Mathews Mansion Museum</a>
	<a href="#">The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk</a>
	<a href="#">Stepping Stones Museum for Children</a>
Norwich	<a href="#">Leffingwell House Museum</a>
Old Lyme	<a href="#">Florence Griswold Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Lyme Art Association</a>
Old Saybrook	<a href="#">Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center</a>
Ridgefield	<a href="#">Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Keeler Tavern Museum</a>
Rockville	<a href="#">New England Civil War Museum</a>
Shelton	<a href="#">cARTie</a>
Simsbury	<a href="#">Simsbury Historical Society</a>
South Windsor	<a href="#">Wood Memorial Library &amp; Museum</a>
Southington	<a href="#">Southington Public Library</a>
Stamford	<a href="#">Bartlett Arboretum &amp; Gardens</a>
	<a href="#">Stamford Historical Society</a>
Stonington	<a href="#">Stonington Historical Society</a>
Stratford	<a href="#">Boothe Memorial Park and Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Stratford Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">Stratford Veterans Museum</a>
Thomaston	<a href="#">Railroad Museum of New England</a>
Torrington	<a href="#">KidsPlay Children's Museum</a>
Uncasville	<a href="#">Tantaquidgeon Museum</a>
Vernon	<a href="#">Strong Family Farm</a>

Wallingford	<a href="#">Wallingford Historic Preservation Trust</a>
Washington	<a href="#">Institute for American Indian Studies</a>
Waterbury	<a href="#">Mattatuck Museum</a>
West Hartford	<a href="#">Art Museum, University of Saint Joseph</a>
	<a href="#">The Children's Museum, Inc.</a>
	<a href="#">Noah Webster House &amp; West Hartford Historical Society</a>
West Haven	<a href="#">Ward-Heitmann House Museum</a>
Westport	<a href="#">Earthplace</a>
	<a href="#">MoCA Westport</a>
	<a href="#">Westport Museum for History &amp; Culture</a>
Wethersfield	<a href="#">Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Wethersfield Historical Society</a>
Willimantic	<a href="#">The America Museum</a>
	<a href="#">Windham Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">Windham Textile &amp; History Museum</a>
Windsor	<a href="#">Vintage Radio and Communications Museum of Connecticut</a>
	<a href="#">Windsor Historical Society</a>
Windsor Locks	<a href="#">New England Air Museum</a>
Winsted	<a href="#">American Mural Project</a>
Woodbridge	<a href="#">Amity and Woodbridge Historical Society</a>
	<a href="#">Palestine Museum US</a>
Woodbury	<a href="#">The Glebe House Museum &amp; Gertrude Jekyll Garden</a>

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