

Religion and Cultural Institutions Initiative

November 2024

Grants List

Lilly Endowment has approved grants to 33 museums, libraries, historic sites and other cultural organizations across the United States through a new round of the Religion and Cultural Institutions Initiative. The primary aim of the national initiative is to encourage and support museums and other cultural institutions in strengthening their capacities to provide fair and accurate portrayals of the role religion has played and continues to play in the United States and around the word. The Endowment made earlier rounds of grants through the initiative in 2020, 2022 and 2023.

Ranging from \$1,023,140 to \$2.5 million, these new grants are funding a variety of approaches that will further the aim of the Religion and Cultural Institutions Initiative and, in doing so, support efforts to help improve the public understanding of religion.

ORGANIZATION	LOCATION	GRANT AMOUNT
The American Writers Museum	Chicago, IL	\$2,500,000
Arch Street Meeting House Preservation Trust	Philadelphia, PA	\$1,085,000
Baylor University	Waco, TX	\$2,482,486
Canterbury Shaker Village	Canterbury, NH	\$2,500,000
Chicago Architecture Foundation	Chicago, IL	\$2,500,000
The Clemente (Clemente Soto Velez Cultural & Education Center)	New York, NY	\$2,500,000
Delaware Art Museum	Wilmington, DE	\$2,500,000
Delaware Historical Society (Historical Society of Delaware)	Wilmington, DE	\$1,023,140
Hancock Shaker Village	Pittsfield, MA	\$2,342,000

Historic St. George's United Methodist Church	Philadelphia, PA	\$2,499,427
Kiewit Luminarium (Omaha Discovery Trust)	Omaha, NE	\$2,500,000
King's Chapel (Society of King's Chapel)	Boston, MA	\$2,500,000
Marquette University	Milwaukee, WI	\$2,442,104
Maryland Center for History and Culture	Baltimore, MD	\$2,500,000
Montpelier Foundation	Orange, VA	\$2,499,996
Museum at Eldridge Street	New York, NY	\$2,500,000
National Building Museum	Washington, DC	\$2,500,000
National Juneteenth Museum	Fort Worth, TX	\$2,500,000
National Park Foundation	Washington, DC	\$2,500,000
National Women's History Museum	Washington, DC	\$2,500,000
The Newberry (Newberry Library)	Chicago, IL	\$2,156,078
North Carolina Museum of Art Foundation	Raleigh, NC	\$2,500,000
Pepperdine University	Malibu, CA	\$2,499,510
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), A Corporation	Louisville, KY	\$2,431,641
San Antonio African American Community Archive & Museum	San Antonio, TX	\$2,497,809
Shelburne Museum	Shelburne, VT	\$2,500,000
Sing Sing Prison Museum	Ossining, NY	\$2,500,000

Sixteenth Street Baptist Church	Birmingham, AL	\$2,500,000
Smithsonian Institution - American Art Museum	Washington, DC	\$2,500,000
Southern Methodist University	Dallas, TX	\$2,500,000
Tenement Museum (Lower East Side Tenement Museum)	New York, NY	\$2,500,000
University of Chicago	Chicago, IL	\$2,446,682
The Yiddish Book Center (The National Yiddish Book Center)	Amherst, MA	\$2,488,152