Call for Proposals
The Matthew Hansen Endowment

Funding for projects focusing on Montana history, creative writing, and wilderness studies

The Matthew Hansen Endowment was established in 1984 as a memorial to Matthew Hansen and his ideals. The Endowment grants awards for historical research, creative writing, and wilderness studies projects that explore Montana’s land and people. We hope, as Matthew did, that projects awarded from this endowment will encourage mindful stewardship of the land, both wild and cultivated, and contribute to the preservation of Montana’s cultural heritage. The Endowment encourages proposals from anyone interested in furthering this goal.

Submission Guidelines
Projects must focus on historical research, creative writing, wilderness studies, or any combination thereof. The committee recommends projects that can be completed in one year. Please submit:

- A one-two page proposal describing the project, how your idea originated, what you hope to accomplish, how the project is related to Montana’s heritage, and whom your project will benefit.
- A detailed budget and timeline and a brief personal resume that describes your qualifications.
- A cover page that includes your name, contact information, project title, and the total budget amount requested.
- Seven copies of your entire proposal and, if available, seven copies of a previous work.

Review & Selection Process
Funding for projects is competitive. Proposals are reviewed for feasibility and relevance to the Endowment’s goals. Proposals from individuals will take precedence over those from institutions. Awards usually range from $400 - $1,000. Proposals will be accepted prior to April 1st. Awards will be announced in May.

Matthew Hansen’s Work
Hansen’s “An Oral History of Montanans at Work,” a set of audio tapes, is now available for checkout from the Wilderness Institute library. His written works The South Fork of the Teton River: A History of its People and Clearing, a book of poems, are also available.

Proposals must be postmarked by April 1st. Send to:
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Wilderness Institute, College of Forestry & Conservation
The University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812

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