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**PROJECTS WANTED: STATE PRESERVATION GRANT APPLICATIONS
AVAILABLE FOR ARTS, CULTURE, AND PUBLIC HISTORIC SITES**

The Rhode Island Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission (RIHPHC) is pleased to announce the availability of \$1.6 million in State Preservation Grants to support renovation projects for museums, cultural art centers, and public historic sites located in historic structures throughout the state. Properties may include, but are not limited to, libraries, city and town halls, historic sites, museums, performance spaces, art centers, theatres, and concert halls. Eligible sites must be operated by private non-profit organizations, state government, or local government agencies. Grant amounts range from \$8000 to \$150,000, and grantees are required to raise matching funds for their projects.

Applications for State Preservation Grants are due on or before August 19, 2016. Applicants will be notified of grant decisions in late December 2016. This is the second of three grant rounds funded by the Creative and Cultural Economy bonds, approved by the voters in 2014. One more State Preservation Grant round will take place in 2017.

RIHPHC will hold three workshops to provide information about applying for the grants. They will take place on Wednesday, June 29 at 2:00pm at The Old State House, 150 Benefit Street, Providence; Thursday, June 30 at 10:00am at The Preservation Society of Newport County's offices, 424 Bellevue Avenue, Newport; and on Friday, July 1 at 10:00am at Harris Mill, 618 Main Street, Coventry.

For more information and to download an application, visit the Commission's website—www.preservation.ri.gov or call (401)222-4142.