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## **Foundation Awarded Humanities DC Grant**

Humanities DC, a local affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, announced the award of a \$25,000 capacity building grant to the DACOR Bacon House Foundation on August 1.

The grant will support an array of efforts underway to mark the 200th anniversary of DACOR Bacon House in 2025. These include reinterpretation of the Ringgold-Marshall Museum, updating the stories told on house tours by DACOR docents, re-visioning displays of major artifacts (Secretary of State John Quincy Adams' desk and the portal of the Tangier Legation), and expansion of ongoing research into those who lived and worked at DACOR Bacon House dating back to 1825. The grant will also support the digitization of historical documents and the development of instructional materials on the history of DACOR Bacon House and its artifacts for use in elementary and secondary school classrooms.

The grant will also train local student interns in the use of digital technology to preserve historical documents, including letters, maps, and government papers held in their original form by the Foundation. Digitalization will make it possible for the Foundation to share its own historical documents and those from other diplomacy organizations with museums, research centers, scholars, students and the public.

A further activity supported by the grant is an extension of DACOR's Global Studies Mentoring Program to include development of a college-level course, "Global Archives in the District," planned to be offered at the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) in the spring of 2023. The research course will focus on historically valuable archival materials held at repositories within the City of Washington. The Global Studies Mentoring Program is a partnership between DACOR and UDC's Political Science Department that begins its second year in September.



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