Grant Opportunities from EAIA

All grant applications must be received by March 15, 2025
The application is found on the EAIA website <u>eaia.us</u>
For scholarship and conservation grants, please contact Heidi Campbell-Shoaf at hcmpbellshoaf@gmail.com Or John Verrill at mailto:eaia1933@verizon.net

Research Grants

The Early American Industries Association supports projects related to its mission to preserve and present historic trades, crafts, and tools, and the interpretation of their impact on our lives. Applications are due March 15th of each year. Individual grants up to \$3,000.00 may be awarded. Awards are announced each May at the EAIA Annual Meeting. One year after the award a final report is due, along with an article based on the research that will be published in the EAIA *Chronicle*.

Preservation Trades Scholarship

Open to students and apprentices studying to learn practical trades used in historic preservation, this scholarship provides a onetime award of up to \$3000. Applicants must submit a letter of application describing their historic preservation trade goals and how this scholarship will assist them. In addition to the letter, they must submit three letters of reference from instructors, supervisors, or other individuals who have direct knowledge of the applicant's work and intentions to pursue preservation trades.

Awardees must submit captioned photos of work or training the scholarship helped them accomplish and an accounting of what the funds helped them do, (pay for tuition, buy tools, books, etc.). A written report will also be submitted.

EAIA Annual Meeting Scholarship

EAIA's Annual Meeting provides an opportunity to visit sites, attend presentations about a wide variety of early American trades and craft, and learn about early tools and processes - all in the company of EAIA members who share the same interest. Scholarships to attend the annual meeting cover the registration fee and lodging for a first time attendee who is a student, museum professional, or historic preservation professional. Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation and a brief statement (250 words) explaining how attendance would benefit them. The number of scholarships available may vary depending upon EAIA board approval.

To support the annual meeting activities, scholarship awardees are asked to volunteer two hours of time during the meeting which may include helping with registration, silent auction, or another task. They are requested to submit to the grants committee a final reflection of their experience of no more than 500 words.

Conservation Grant

EAIA supports the preservation of historic trades and crafts. To this end, it established a conservation grant of up to \$3000 to support conservation planning, object treatment services, educational interpretive services, and supplies related to sharing historic trades with the public. This grant is open to historic sites and museums who have 501(c)(3) status and that are open to the public on a regular basis. Applicants must submit a written proposal of no less than 500 and no more than 1500 words describing the project, how the funds will be used, and the anticipated end result. If the grant will be used to help pay for

conservation treatment or for conservation planning, applicants will submit the credentials of those who will be providing treatment or planning services.

Awardees must submit a 500 word report following the project or program's completion along with captioned photographs.