

**Funding Opportunities from
The Philip K. and Anne Wehrheim Endowment Fund
In support of the RIT-GCV&M Partnership**

Purpose:

This document outlines the opportunities for funding to support activities, research, and scholarship in collaboration between RIT and Genesee Country Village & Museum. Fund requests may be received from RIT faculty, staff, and student organizations.

Three Types of Grants:

1. *Field Trip Grants (Award Variable: admission plus up to \$500 toward transportation costs)*

Covers cost of Museum admission for all attendees (faculty, students, and staff); in addition, up to \$500 in funds for a charter bus or other transportation costs for the attendees.

To apply, please prepare a single pdf document with the following information:

- Your name
- Date of visit
- Number of participants
- Purpose of visit (if in conjunction with a class OR project, please include the class name and number with a copy of the class assignment, OR a short description of the project)
- Collections or locations to be visited (if you need guidance on this, please ask in advance of your application)
- Museum staff to assist with visit (if you need guidance on this, please ask in advance of your application)

Note: To help with calculating costs, RIT Transportation options are here:

<https://www.rit.edu/fa/parking/transportation/charter-bus> and here:

<https://www.rit.edu/fa/parking/transportation/charter>

Submit the above information as a single pdf document in an email to Partnership Chair, Juilee Decker, jdgsh@rit.edu at least four weeks prior to the visit.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and require at least four weeks for a decision by a subcommittee of the RIT-GCV&M Partnership Committee. Applicants will be notified of a decision by email. Funds will be payable as journal entry/shared cost with another budget line at RIT or as reimbursement to the applicant, with all appropriate documentation submitted and approved. After the visit, a one-paragraph report is required. Details about the visit report will be provided upon notification of the award.

NOTE: if admission cost is only sought, please complete the same information above and indicate “admission only.” Submit to Partnership Chair, Juilee Decker, jdgsh@rit.edu at least two weeks prior to the visit.

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2. Project Support Grants (up to \$1000 toward project support)

Awards will be made up to \$1,000 to support RIT faculty research, scholarship, and professional development related to the Museum.

To apply, please prepare the following information:

- Your name
- Purpose of research, scholarship, or professional development
- Tentative date(s) for your visit(s)
- GCV&M collections, locations, or staff to be consulted as part of your research (if you need guidance on this, please ask in advance of your application)
- Desired deliverable (Will this serve as a case study for an article, provide images for a publication or presentation, etc.?)

Possible ways to use funds:

- Hire a student to assist your research in advance of visit (a precis of research is required).
- Hire a student to assist you with research onsite at Museum (a precis of research is required).
- Hire a photographer or other professional to assist you during a visit to the Museum
- Invite a collaborator or scholar—with expertise related to the Museum, its history, its collections or adjacent research and scholarship fields—to visit the Museum for research purposes.
- Purchase small, non-capital fund equipment such as external hard drive, digital recorder (expense of less than \$500). Funds from this grant cannot be put toward a larger, capital purchase.
- Other ideas?

NOTE: if funds are sought for a student-led project, rather than faculty-led, please email the Partnership Chair for guidance on submission.

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3. Other Grants (Awards up to \$1,000)

Awards will be made up to \$1,000 to support other activities not outlined above that are in alignment with the goals of the RIT-GCV&M Partnership. Examples include hosting an event at the Museum, reserving requesting specialty confections for an event on campus or onsite, utilizing other Museum resources, including facilities.

To apply, please prepare the following information:

- Your name
- Purpose of event, visit, or otherwise
- Date of event, visit, or otherwise
- GCV&M collections, locations, or staff to be consulted as part of your research (if you need guidance on this, please ask.)
- Desired deliverable (Will this serve as a case study for an article, provide images for a publication or presentation, etc.?)

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