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FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR MONTANA PROJECTS

MISSOULA—

The University of Montana Wilderness Institute is now accepting proposals for grants that support historical research, creative writing and wilderness studies projects that explore Montana's land and people.

The grants range from \$400 to \$1,000 and are awarded through the University's Matthew Hansen Endowment, which was established in 1984 as a memorial to Hansen and his ideals.

The proposal deadline is March 1, and awards will be announced in April.

Projects should encourage mindful stewardship of the land and contribute to the preservation of Montana's heritage. Proposals from individuals will take precedence over those from institutions. The endowment committee recommends projects that can be completed in one year.

Proposals must be no more than two pages and describe how the idea originated, what the project hopes to accomplish, how it relates to Montana's heritage and whom it will benefit. Submit seven copies of the proposal, a brief resume of

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personal qualifications for completing the project, a detailed budget and timeline, and seven copies of a previous work, if available.

Send proposals to The Matthew Hansen Endowment, Wilderness Institute, College of Forestry and Conservation, The University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812. For more information call 406-243-5361, e-mail wi@cfc.umt.edu or go online to <http://www.cfc.umt.edu/wi>.

Hansen's "An Oral History of Montanans at Work," a set of audio tapes, is 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, also are at the library.

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