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Battleship NORTH CAROLINA receives NC CARES: Humanities Relief Grant

Wilmington, NC – July 23, 2020 – Battleship NORTH CAROLINA has received a NC CARES: Humanities Relief Grant from the [North Carolina Humanities Council](#). Funding for NC CARES has been provided by the [National Endowment for the Humanities](#) (NEH) as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act economic stabilization plan.

Because of restrictions designed to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the Battleship has been limited in its ability to present its customary onboard programs for visitors. The award will enable the Battleship to develop educational outreach and distance learning programs.

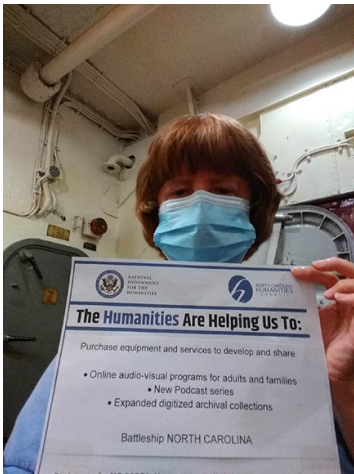
“This grant will purchase equipment and services to develop and share online audio-visual programs for adults and youth, to create a new podcast series, and to expand our online digitized collections,” said Mary Ames Booker, Curator of Collections.

The funding will make it possible for the Battleship to reach current visitors and a new audience in the continually changing digital age. The NC CARES: Humanities Relief Grant is opening doors shut by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Humanities education forms the basis of our programs," said Kim Sincox, Director of Museum Services. "We share how hundreds of young men lived aboard a naval vessel, using the technologies of the day to fight a war that established the world we live in today."



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Mary Ames Booker, Curator of Collections at Battleship NORTH CAROLINA, holds up a sign describing how the Battleship will use the NC CARES: Humanities Relief Act funds.

Photo credit: Battleship NORTH CAROLINA

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About the Battleship NORTH CAROLINA

The Battleship NORTH CAROLINA is self-supporting, not tax supported, and relies primarily on admissions to tour the Ship, sales in the Ship's Store, rentals, donations and investments. No funds for its administration and operation come from appropriations from governmental entities at the local, state or federal levels. Located at the junction of Highways 17/74/76/421 on the Cape Fear River, the Battleship is open daily. Visit www.battleshipnc.com or follow us on [Facebook.com/ncbb55](https://www.facebook.com/ncbb55), [Twitter.com/battleshipnc](https://twitter.com/battleshipnc) and [Instagram.com/battleshipnc](https://www.instagram.com/battleshipnc)

[hipnc](#) for more information. The Battleship NORTH CAROLINA is a historic site within the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (www.NCCulture.com).



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About the North Carolina Humanities Council

The [North Carolina Humanities Council](#) is a statewide nonprofit and affiliate of the [National Endowment for the Humanities](#). The Humanities Council supports through grants and public programs vital conversations that nurture the cultures and heritage of North Carolina. Learn more about the work of the North Carolina Humanities Council at www.nchumanities.org . Also on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

