Midwest Regional Office, National Park Service And Arkansas Post National Memorial, Arkansas

Letter of Research Interest (LOI)

Title: Ethnographic Overview & Assessment: African-Americans and Arkansas Post National Memorial

LOI Response Timeframe

Deadline for responding to this letter of interest is Monday, March 25, 2019.

Project Principal Investigator Requirements

The research will be directed and overseen by a Principal Investigator (PI). The PI should be an applied cultural anthropologist with a Ph.D. in cultural anthropology, or someone with demonstrable and comparable research experience, evidenced by a publication record demonstrating a professional level of research, analysis, and report preparation. It is expected that this record will reflect an understanding and ability to apply ethnographic and cultural anthropology research methods, and a level of education and experience beyond that of a B.A. and two years of graduate study in cultural anthropology. The researcher must demonstrate significant involvement in the research, writing, and the timely completion of ethnographic research. Experience and research with African-American communities in the United States is desirable.

Funds Available

Project funds available are approximately \$97,000. The funding includes an overhead rate of 17.5 percent. The project will be funded by the National Park Service. Universities within the CESU network are eligible to apply. *This project is not a grant*, and will be administered as a Federal Financial Assistance research project through the CESU network.

Letters of Interest

Letters of Interest (LOI) should be sent to the address located in the "contact" section. LOI's will be reviewed by the NPS and the top candidate(s) will be asked to provide and submit a full proposal responsive to a Scope of Work. That proposal will detail the work to be conducted, providing and describing the methodology and research design, and outlining a schedule for the project.

The LOI should describe your research interest(s) in the projects, past projects that are similar in topic and/or form, and any relevant experience in completing ethnographic projects, along with a copy of a resume or vita for the Principal Investigator. Please include your name, affiliated organization(s), and contact information. Please try and limit LOI's to 4 pages.

Contact

Responses of interest should be directed before the closing date to Michael J. Evans, Ph.D. (<u>Michael Evans@nps.gov</u>). Additional questions can be answered by contacting Michael J. Evans, Ph.D., Chief, Cultural Anthropology Program, Midwest Region Ethnography Program, National Park Service (612-345-0019).