

**138.85 STATE FOLKLORIST; POWERS.**

Subdivision 1. **Approval of director.** The state folklorist shall exercise the powers conferred in this section with the approval of the director of the Minnesota Historical Society.

Subd. 2. **Gifts, grants, disposal of property.** The folklorist may accept gifts and grants for the support of the center; receive money and other property donated, bequeathed, or devised, without condition or restriction other than that it be for the purposes of the center, and use, sell or otherwise dispose of such property for the purpose of carrying out its functions.

Subd. 3. **Contracts, grants, loans, scholarships.** The state folklorist may enter into contracts with, award grants, loans, and scholarships to individuals and groups, and in the case of clause (5), private radio and television broadcasters, museums, educational institutions and corporations for the purpose of:

(1) support and promotion of research, scholarship, and training in Minnesota folklife;

(2) support and promotion of live performances, festivals, exhibits, and workshops related to Minnesota folklife;

(3) purchase, receipt, support, and promotion of exhibitions and displays, including presentations by still and motion picture films and audio and visual magnetic tape recordings, which represent or illustrate some aspect of Minnesota folklife;

(4) purchase, production and support of exhibitions, projects, presentations, and materials especially designed for classroom use representing or illustrating some aspect of Minnesota folklife; and

(5) making arrangements to present, display, exhibit, disseminate, communicate and broadcast to local, regional, or state audiences any item referred to in subdivision 4, clause (2).

Subd. 4. **Other powers.** The state folklorist may:

(1) establish and maintain branches of the center in conjunction with any state department, agency, or institution;

(2) procure, receive, purchase, and collect for preservation or retention in an appropriate archive or museum creative works, exhibitions, presentations, objects, materials, artifacts, and audio and visual records including still and motion picture film, records, audio and visual magnetic tape recordings, written records, and manuscripts which represent or illustrate some aspect of Minnesota folklife;

(3) establish procedures for loaning or making available any item in the archives authorized by sections 138.81 to 138.87 to any individual or group;

(4) loan, lease, or otherwise make available to public, private, and nonprofit educational institutions items developed pursuant to subdivision 3, clause (4);

(5) develop and implement other programs to preserve, support, revitalize, and disseminate Minnesota folklife.

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