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R & L CONSULTING CLIENT AWARDED \$375,400 NEH GRANT

C.M. RUSSELL MUSEUM RECEIVES MAJOR FUNDING FOR NEW EXHIBITION FROM THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

R&L Consulting is delighted to announce that one of its clients was awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Implementation Grants for Museums and Historical Organizations grants program. The C.M. Russell Museum of Great Falls, MT was awarded \$375,400 earlier this month to support the fabrication and installation of a new permanent exhibition entitled, *The Bison: American Icon, Heart of Plains Indian Culture*.

The C.M. Russell Museum was one of only 12 organizations nationwide chosen by an academic review panel to receive funding in this category this year. Other recipients include: the U.S.S. Constitution Museum, Boston, MA; the Jewish Museum, New York, NY; Cornell University, Ithaca, NY; the Minnesota Historical Society, St Paul, MN; and the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, Charlottesville, VA.

"We are so proud to receive this grant from the NEH," said Anne Morand, CEO of the C.M. Russell Museum. ***"This is the third major federal grant award in three years that R&L Consulting has helped us secure -- our relationship with them has exceeded all our expectations!"***

Created in 1965 as an independent federal agency, the **National Endowment for the Humanities** supports learning in history, literature, philosophy, and other areas of the humanities. NEH grants enrich classroom learning, create and preserve knowledge, and bring ideas to life through public television, radio, new technologies, museum exhibitions, and programs in libraries and other community places.

R&L Consulting is a consulting firm that specializes in working with museums. Its principals have over 40 years of combined experience working with museums and non-profit organizations.

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WHO WE ARE:

Alan J. Lipsky is a museum and fundraising professional with over 20 years of experience. He holds a B.A. Cum Laude, in American History from Brooklyn College. Previously, he was the Development Director at the C.M. Russell Museum in Great Falls, Montana, the Director of Development at the Lied Discovery Children's Museum in Las Vegas, Nevada, the Grants Officer at the Museum of Jewish Heritage-A Living Memorial to the Holocaust and Executive Director of the Wyckoff House Museum, both in New York City. He also has served as Director of Development for Aid for AIDS of Nevada, and worked as a consultant to several New York, Las Vegas and Montana cultural and nonprofit organizations.

A.J. Rhodes has worked with museums for 20 years and was most recently the Director of Education and Public Programs at the C.M. Russell Museum in Great Falls, Montana. Previously she served as the Director of Education at both the Lied Discovery Children's Museum in Las Vegas, Nevada, and the Albuquerque Children's Museum in New Mexico. A.J. has also worked at the Delaware Art Museum, New Castle Historical Society, and the Albuquerque Museum of Art and History, among others. Ms. Rhodes holds a B.A. with Honors in Art History from Swarthmore College and a M.A. in Art History and Museum Studies from the University of Delaware.