For the purpose of informing interested faculty, please be aware of the following opportunity:

**MFA-FY10: 2010 Museums for America Grant Award**

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is soliciting applications for the 2010 Museums for America Grant Award. Museums for America grants strengthen a museum’s ability to serve the public more effectively by supporting high-priority activities that advance the institution’s mission and strategic goals. Museums for America grants are designed to be flexible: funds can be used for a wide variety of projects, including ongoing museum work, research and other behind-the-scenes activities, planning, new programs, purchase of equipment or services, and activities that will support the efforts of museums to upgrade and integrate new technologies. IMLS also welcomes proposals that promote the skills necessary to develop 21st century communities, citizens, and workers.

Grants are awarded in the following categories:

- Engaging Communities (Education, Exhibitions, and Interpretation)
- Building Institutional Capacity (Management, Policy, and Training)
- Collections Stewardship

For more information about this opportunity (MFA-FY10) please see the full solicitation (attached).

**MFA grants range from $5-150K. A 1:1 cost share is required.** Complete award information is found in the full solicitation.

**Deadline for Proposal to OR-Sponsored Programs: 10/26/2009**
(Please see the solicitation for complete application & submission information.)

Please contact Sponsored Programs (4-2402) with questions regarding proposal submission requirements.

**Deadline for Proposal Submission to Agency: 11/2/2009**

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