



Research & Publishing Toolkit

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Call for Proposals

Utah is home to countless communities, with distinct and intertwined histories. Many of their stories have long been excluded from popular narratives of Utah's past. At the same time, historical researchers have been slow to document and explore the rich cultural diversity of our state.

Through [The Peoples of Utah Revisited](#), the Utah Division of State History seeks to widen the lens on Utah's history and amplify minoritized voices from Utah's past and present. We especially wish to energize foundational research on the diverse communities of our state, embracing ethnic, racial, religious, cultural, gender, and disability-based groups across urban and rural settings.

Key areas of inquiry include:

- How have Utah's Indigenous communities evolved across space and time?
- How and when have different ethnic, racial, and cultural groups come to Utah?
- How and when have identity-based groups coalesced here?
- How have newcomers made homes and communities here?
- How have women and men worked, faced challenges, and realized successes in Utah?

Work will be published in either *Utah Historical Quarterly* (UHQ) or the forthcoming *Peoples Online* website. Both will be launched in 2026, as part of Utah's America 250th commemoration year. Proposals for short and long research articles, digital humanities, map-based products, memoirs, and biographical works are welcome.

Proposals are due on or before March 1, 2023, at <https://form.jotform.com/222897539522164>

Timeline: Authors will be notified of acceptance by June 1, 2023. Accepted pieces will receive author mentoring and peer review. Completed work is due May 1, 2025, at which time authors will receive a stipend of \$250 for web articles/\$1000 for UHQ articles.

Successful submissions will be thoroughly researched and fully documented, including footnotes and bibliography. Writing should be professional and appropriate for broad readership (7th grade reading level, without academic jargon).

Questions? Contact Wendy Rex Atzet, wratzet@utah.gov.

Utah Historiography: Depths & Shallows

Depths in Existing Literature

Black pioneers, segregation
Chinese railroad workers
Ethnic Europeans: extractive industry
Indigenous peoples: pre-1930s
Japanese incarceration
LDS: foundations, institutions, political
Mexican Americans
Women: suffrage, political

Depth of coverage varies in the historical literature on these groups. New research that updates and/or fills gaps is welcome.

Visit our [working bibliography!](#)

Please add titles that may be missing from the bibliography. This list is a work in progress and we value your input.

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Shallows: 20th & 21st Century Peoples

African American migrations
African diasporas
Asian diasporas
Caribbean diasporas
European diasporas
Indigenous identities, sovereignty
Latino/a/x diasporas
Middle Eastern/North African diasporas
Pacific diasporas
Post-1965 immigration is especially needed.

Shallows: Intersectionalities

Disability communities
Ethnic communities
LGBTQ+ communities
Refugee communities
Religious communities: new LDS, Muslim, Sikh, etc.
Rural communities
Women: work, community building
Youth

Resources & FAQ

HELPFUL LINKS

[UHQ Article Search](#)

[Peoples of Utah Digital Collection](#)

[Traditional Knowledge Labels](#)

[Readable](#)

FAQs

What is the timeline?

March 1, 2023	→	Proposals due (500 words on topic, angle + basic research plan)
June 2023	→	Acceptance notification
2023-2025	→	Author mentoring, symposia, & peer review
May 1, 2025	→	Completed work due, stipends upon completion
May-Dec 2025	→	Production & web design
2026	→	Publish UHQ, Launch Peoples Online, Museum of Utah opens

What are the stipends?

- \$250 for a short web article (1000-2000 words)
- \$1000 for a long research article (3000-5000 words)
- Stipends will be paid after receipt of completed and approved articles in 2025

How will proposals be evaluated for acceptance?

A committee of diverse public historians will assess the proposals using a rubric. Successful proposals will provide clarity and specifics on topic/focus and research plan.

How will students be mentored? Will articles be peer reviewed?

Division staff will coordinate mentoring and symposia to support researchers. Symposia are planned for Fall 2023, Summer 2024, and Winter 2025.

Articles accepted for publication in UHQ will receive standard peer review.

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General Post

[The Peoples of Utah Revisited](#) aims to widen the lens on Utah's past, and to shine new light on historic and contemporary diversity across the state. This initiative builds on the original anthology *The Peoples of Utah*, published in 1976 by the eminent Helen Z. Papanikolas for America's bicentennial.

This new initiative will amplify the voices of marginalized communities throughout Utah by providing them the tools to preserve and share their stories through oral history and scan-and-share programs. These histories will form the backbone of new historical research and a new website that will include written, creative, and multimedia content, bringing these stories to the present day.

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Research Post

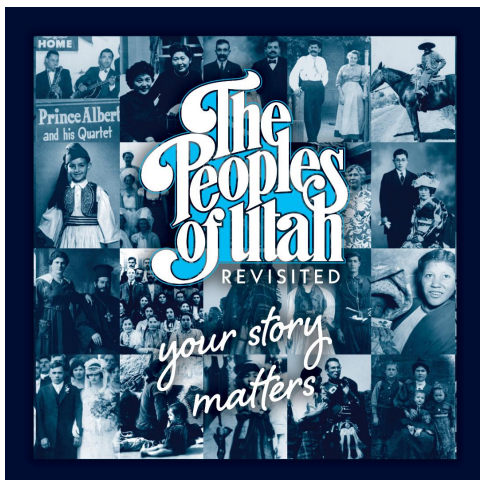
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