

LEIGHLA WHIPPER LEWIS (MRS.)

(28)

Talladega, Alabama

Drama

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Name Leighla Whipper Lewis (Mrs.) **Field:** Drama
Talladega, Alabama

Plan of Work To study in dramatic schools and with private dance instructors in the City of New York, and to interview prominent figures of the stage in order to assemble a book concerning the Negro on the American stage.

Wishes to collect material for nine months during which time she will be enrolled in the American Academy of Dramatic Art and taking private lessons in tap dancing. Asks grant for nine months.

Personal Data Born Athens, Georgia, September 22, 1913 **Age:** 28
Married. One child.

Undergraduate Work

Howard University, A. B., 1934, cum laude

Graduate Work

Howard University, 1935-37.

Special Study: Hammond School of the Dance, 1941

Experience

Society Editor and Contributor, The Afro-American Newspaper Company, Baltimore, Maryland, 1937-41. (paid by the article)
Clerk, Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D. C. 1940-41, \$1,560.

Accomplishments

Publications: Poems in New Negro Voices, published by Henry Harrison, 1938.

Fellowships: Howard University, 1935-36.

References

Dr. Charles Eaton Burch, Howard University
Miss Bernice Hammond, Hammond School of the Dance
Mr. Sterling A. Brown, Howard University
Dr. Buell Gallagher, Talladega College
Hon. Arthur E. Mitchell, House of Representatives, Washington

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$1,660
From Applicant	150
From Fund	\$1,510

Sent to Committee

AMOUNT GRANTED