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The **British**

**Library's Endangered Archives Programme** offers a number of grants every year to **individual researchers world-wide to locate vulnerable archival collections, to arrange their transfer** wherever possible to a suitable local archival home, and to deliver digital copies into the international research domain via the British Library. The specific focus of this Programme is upon **archives relating to the pre-industrial stages of a society's development**, normally located in **countries where resources and opportunities to preserve such material are limited**. The digital collections received by the British Library are made available on the Programme's website for all to access, with currently over 5 million images and more than 25,000 sound recordings available online. **Pilot projects are particularly welcomed**, to investigate the survival of archival collections on a particular subject, in a discrete region, or in a specific format, and the feasibility of their recovery. Since it was established twelve years ago, **the Programme has so far funded over 300 projects in**

**80 countries worldwide**, with grants totalling over £7 million. These grants are the primary means by which **Arcadia** contributes to the urgent task of identifying, preserving and making accessible such archival collections before they are lost to international scholarship forever.

## Call for applications 2017

The 2017 call for applications is now open. The deadline for submitting completed application forms is the **4 November 2016**. All applicants must initially submit a preliminary application form. After assessment of the preliminary applications has taken place, only those subsequently invited may submit a detailed application. Invitations to submit a detailed application will be sent by the end of December. Applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application by the end of May. For **additional information** about the Endangered Archives Programme and access to the **application documentation**, please visit

<http://eap.bl.uk/pages/grants.html>

Pictured above: **Digital images of zong he ze ji shu**, a book on picking auspicious dates for various purposes. Date: 19th century. Author / scribe: Unknown. Libo County Archives, Guizhou, China

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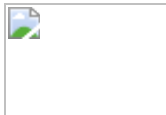
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