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Posted By [Paul G](#) November 24th, 2018 Blog

A video of the Chicago Children's Choir singing along with a hand drum song has gone viral on social media.

The choir performed their World Music Festival at the Navy Pier. The concert featured songs from several cultures including Native American. [Dom Watson](#), [Alex Alvarez](#), and [Charley Lewis](#) taught the choir a pow wow song composed by Alex Alvarez.

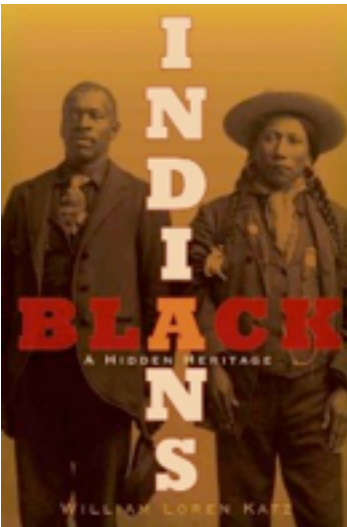
From [Keshena Cisneros-Watson](#)

AN ANCESTRY OF AFRICAN-NATIVE AMERICANS

November is American Indian Heritage Month and AAMLO invites you to explore [shared African and indigenous heritage](#) using resources available in the library.

[Confounding the color line : the Indian-Black experience in North America / edited by James F. Brooks](#) 303.482 CONFOUNDI

Since the days of slavery, the lives and destinies of Indians and Blacks have been entwined-thrown together through circumstance, institutional design, or personal choice. Cultural sharing and intermarriage have resulted in complex identities for some members of Indian and Black communities today. (*Publisher's description*)



[Black Indians : a hidden heritage / William Loren Katz](#) 970.1 KATZ

The first paths to freedom taken by runaway slaves led to Native American villages. There, black men and women found acceptance and friendship among our country's original inhabitants. Though they seldom appear in textbooks and movies, the children of Native- and African-American marriages helped shape the early days of the fur trade, added a new dimension to frontier diplomacy, and made a daring contribution to the fight for American liberty. Since its original publication, William Loren Katz's *Black Indians* has remained the definitive work on a long, arduous quest for freedom and equality. (*Publisher's description*)

[Africans and Native Americans : the language of race and the evolution of Red-Black peoples / Jack D. Forbes](#) 305.8 FORBES

Africans and Native Americans explores key issues relating to the evolution of racial terminology and European colonialists' perceptions of color, analyzing the development of color classification systems and the specific evolution of key terms such as black, mulatto, and mestizo, which no longer carry their original meanings. Jack Forbes presents strong evidence that Native American and African contacts began in Europe, Africa, and the Caribbean and that Native Americans may have crossed the Atlantic long before Columbus. (*Publisher's description*)

"Laughter is America's most important export." — Walt Disney

For one week each year, the students and staff of Juan Diego Catholic High School don't show up to the campus at all.

It's not a vacation, and it's not a school trip.

They're spending the week volunteering with an organization of their choice as part of a service program made to teach kids about community, hard work, and the value of helping those in need.

Juan Diego is showing firsthand the value of service for students and the community.

Over 200 seniors at the school choose to spend a week volunteering at one of the 27 service agencies involved in the program — all of which are organizations that help serve marginalized communities.

"We have everything from students going to the Utah AIDS Foundation and dealing with HIV prevention and awareness to Saint Vincent de Paul soup kitchen," Director of Campus Life Dave Brunetti says over the phone.

While volunteering, students get experience with real service work, and they help uplift the community — and themselves — in the process.

"Our school's motto is *Spiritus Donorum*, which translates to 'the spirit of giving,'" says Brunetti, adding that schools don't often give their students a vantage point to think about marginalized communities, let alone a specific opportunity to help them.

"When you put a student in an intensive week such as this, our experience has been that it is completely transformative," he continues.

While community service is a standard high school extracurricular, Juan Diego approaches it a little differently.

"It goes beyond volunteering," says Brunetti. Since the program is about helping marginalized communities like the homeless, it provides one-of-a-kind learning opportunities. "When you are the person assisting [a homeless woman] — coming in and getting food for her and her children, it changes the way you look at things."

While anyone in high school can volunteer to fill out an obligatory requirement or college prerequisite, building the program this way ensures that students come face to face with people less fortunate than them.

"It's eye-opening and it will benefit everyone," Apiak Gai, a [student at the school](#), told news station Good 4 Utah. **"I'm learning that not everyone is the same and not everyone has the same opportunities. We shouldn't shut them out; we should give them a helping hand."**

The school also believes that service is essential to a well-rounded education.

"If we just graduate students that are smart but we don't give them a sense of compassion and empathy about how to show up in the real world, then we have totally ripped them off," says Brunetti.

While there aren't many schools that build volunteering and community service directly into their curriculum, perhaps there should be.

As the [Corporation for National & Community Service](#) notes, volunteering can be incredibly beneficial to your community and even your health. One study found that volunteering led to improvements in stamina, memory, and levels of depression. And if you volunteer once, you're more likely to do it again, according to [another study](#) (PDF).

Most of all, though, Juan Diego's service program is about creating a better world for all of us.

Juan Diego Catholic High School has committed to service not just because it helps teach their students unique lessons, but because it uplifts their entire community, helps provide a more well-rounded education, and goes a long way toward making the world a better, more selfless place.

"When you give them the opportunity to step up, there are some wonderful, wonderful students that are just waiting to become responsible, contributing adults," says Brunetti.

"And that's the reason I do what I do."

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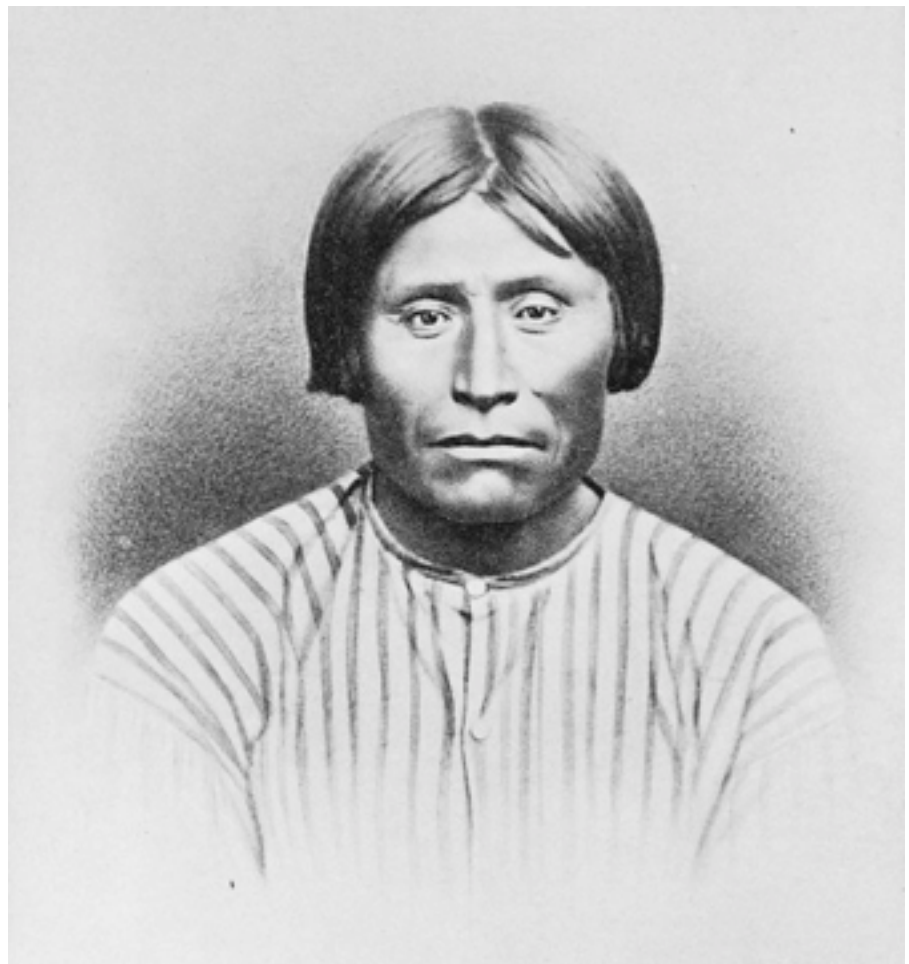
Posted By [Corinne Oestreich](#) November 15th, 2018 Blog

ons that I get to share with my followers, and will also be sharing a few of them here on the powwows website.

Today we are going to learn about the Modoc Nation in Oregon and Oklahoma.

No that wasn't a typo. The Modoc nation's original tribal lands were in what is now known as Klamath Oregon and extended down into Northern California.

The Modoc existed just south of the Klamath people, but after settler forced them to surrender their lands they were pushed up into Klamath territory.



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White House Admits Trump Climate Policies Will Cost Americans \$500 Billion a Year

Joe Romm, ThinkProgress

Romm writes: "The 1,000-page climate report released by the White House Friday quantifies the staggering cost of President Trump's climate science denial." [READ MORE](#)



Despite protests from conservationists, local tribe leaders, Democratic lawmakers and even the United Nations' expert on Indigenous rights, at 6 a.m. on Friday the Trump administration will allow citizens and companies to start staking claims on sections of the Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante... [See More](#)

'Outrageous' Gold Rush-Style Grab of Public Lands to Begin Friday

Conservationists, local tribe leaders, Democratic legislators, and even a UN expert decry this "serious attack on indigenous peoples' rights." [ecowatch.com](#)

Reminder:

National Environmental Justice Public Teleconference Meeting

November 28, 2018 from 3pm to 5pm EST

[Register here today!](#)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) will convene a public teleconference beginning on Wednesday, November 28, 2018, starting at 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

The meeting discussion will focus on several topics including, but not limited to, the following:

to introduce a new charge for the NEJAC from the Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM). This new charge will focus on the reuse and revitalization of Superfund and other contaminated sites; and the discussion and deliberation of the final letters that will address the environmental justice concerns that were raised during the NEJAC public meeting in Boston, MA on August 14 – 16, 2018.

Who Should Attend: This meeting is open to the public. Members of the public are encouraged to provide comments relevant to the specific issues being considered by NEJAC.

Cost: Free

Registration Public Teleconference Option: Pre-registration is required to attend the meeting by teleconference.

Register here: <https://nejac-november-2018-public-teleconference.eventbrite.com>

Online Registration Closes: November 26, 2018, at 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time

For more information on the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC): <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/national-environmental-justice-advisory-council>

For questions about this event, please contact Karen L. Martin (martin.karenl@epa.gov) or by phone 202-564-0203.

[The Stream, November 23: PFAS Found in Drinking Water of Australian Indigenous Communities](#)

Indigenous communities across **Australia** struggle with arsenic, PFAS, and other contaminants in their drinking water. The **Irish** Environmental Protection Agency warns that up to a million people may be at risk of E. coli contamination in their private wells. Low river levels in **Germany** continue to slow fuel transportation, forcing the government to consider a relaxation of road transportation laws. Drought and wind drive a large dust storm in **New South Wales, Australia**. Locals say that poor fish harvests in remote





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Stewart Indian School: Home of the Braves

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Monday December 17, 2018 / 4 – 8 pm

A few miles south of Carson City, Nevada lies a collection of stone buildings that look like they belong to another time. They represent a complex past that changed the course of generations of American Indians as one of the hundreds of Indian boarding schools built across the United States. They also represent a period in American history when the government thought they could change the thoughts, beliefs, and culture of American Indians across the country. The beautiful stone buildings stand as a testament to the countless stories of hardship, resilience, strength, and the triumphs of native peoples across the Great Basin. They represent the Stewart Indian School, and this is its story.

Join us for the premier screening of the documentary film, produced and directed by JoAnne Peden and co-directed by Sam Santoro. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion featuring alumni, scholars, and special guests.

Doors open at 4:00 pm, VIP reception at 5:00 pm, film begins at 6:15 pm.

For more information on the Stewart Indian School, please visit StewartIndianSchool.com

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[Adam Nordwall](#)
[November 23 at 9:30 PM](#)

My grandfather during the Occupation of Alcatraz. Cover of LIFE Magazine.

Next year will be the 50 anniversary of the takeover of Alcatraz. My family is working to make it a big event. Everyone is invited to come and celebrate next November 20, 2019.

[Over 100 Women Globally Are Killed Every Day by a Partner or Family Member, New UN Data Shows](#)

Elham Khatami, ThinkProgress
 Khatami writes: "More than 100 women throughout the world are killed every day by someone close to them, like a partner or family member, according to a new report from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime."

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[Rice University announces free tuition to low-income and](#)

[middle-income students](#)

"It's very strange... We have a char monitor out at Shingle Point and that number there too was pretty low, really low, like we don't know what happened." –Michelle Gruben, a member of the Aklavik Hunters and Trappers Committee, in reference to fishing shortages in traditional fishing hotspots in the Northwestern Territories and Yukon, Canada. The reason for the poor harvests is unclear, but local communities say it may be due to unusually dirty water in the region. [CBC](#) northern **Canada** could be due to dirty water.

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N'we Jinan

"**Firemakers**" is a music video created by the Anishnaabe youth of Lac La Croix First Nation in Ontario. This is a call out song that describes the current state of reservations and the changes that the youth wish to see! The song is exploding in the digital world, come and see why!



Listry Dakota

October 27, 2013

A Sioux Story

The Creator gathered all of Creation and said :

"I want to hide something from the humans until they are ready for it. It is the realization that they create their own reality."

The eagle said, "Give it to me, I will take it to the moon."

The Creator said, "No. One day they will go there and find it."

The salmon said, "I will bury it on the bottom of the ocean."

"No. They will go there too."

The buffalo said, "I will bury it on the Great Plains."

The Creator said, "They will cut into the skin of the Earth and find it even there."

Grandmother Mole, who lives in the breast of Mother Earth, and who has no physical eyes but sees with spiritual eyes, said, "Put it inside of them."

And the Creator said, "It is done."

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Winter Gathering*

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