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[Photographs of Native Americans](#)

Learning from Granpa at Pow Wow. Photo by Nihihiro & Shihiro



[Yolanda Manning is feeling proud with MorningSong Manning](#)

Our Grandson, Akisa Kwina'a Manning-Peters working on the 2nd step to the deer hide tanning process. The 1st step was scraping the inside. And now scraping the outside removing the outer membrane along with the hair. For this being his first time at working on scraping a deer hide he makes the process seem fairly easy. :) My heart is happy to see the interest from my grandchildren. It is my hope that these types of traditional teachings continue to our future generations and beyond. Imu'awe'tsi pisha tevewa'na, habba!

[De Blasio open to talks on transfer of Black Hills to Sioux tribe](#) [washingtontimes.com](#)

Democratic presidential candidate Bill de Blasio says he would bring...

Next month, the [The University of Nevada Reno Native American Alumni Chapter](#) will receive the Nevada Alumni Association's Chapter of the Year Award. Read more about the chapter from [Kaleb Martin Roedel](#) here:

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[firstnationsfocus.com](#)

[Tribal girl from Tripura became state's first woman Air Traffic Controller](#) [theyouth.in](#)

['Dying at every moment': Brazil's indigenous people swear to fight for Amazon 'to last drop of blood'](#) [news.yahoo.com](#)

[A Top Financier of Trump and McConnell Is a Driving Force Behind Amazon Deforestation](#) *Ryan Grim, The Intercept*

Grim writes: "Two Brazilian firms owned by a top donor to President Donald Trump and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell are significantly responsible for the ongoing destruction of the Amazon rainforest, carnage that has developed into raging fires that have captivated global attention." [READ MORE](#)

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Civilizations, that have long since been forgotten, having been consumed and hidden by the sands of time, thousands of years ago. When I say "thousands of years ago"...that's the part where things start to get really strange...

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October PowWows



- Oct 17 - 20** **Gathering of the Patriots Pow Wow (2019)** King, NC
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- Oct 18 - 20** **[38th Annual Indian Education Pow Wow & Arts Exhibition \(2019\)](#)**
[Nashville, TN](#)
- Admission: Adults – \$8, Senior Citizens & Children 6-12 – \$4, Children under 6
and Disabled Persons – Free. [Find More Information »](#)
- Oct 18 - 19** **[49th Annual Waccamaw Siouan Pow Wow \(2019\)](#)** **[Bolton, NC](#)**
www.waccamaw-siouan.com. You can also contact Reah Jacobs, Waccamaw
Siouan Pow Wow Committee Chair, at (910) 410-4070 or for more pow wow
information. . The workshops... [Find More Information »](#)
- Oct 18 - 20** **[TAMA Intertribal Pow Wow \(2019\)](#)** **[Whigham, GA](#)** [Find More Information »](#)
- Oct 18 - 20** **[Wolf Den Pow Wow \(2019\)](#)** **[Pomfret Center, CT](#)** [Find More Information »](#)
- Oct 19 - 20** **[6th Annual Nocalula Falls Pow Wow \(2019\)](#)** **[Gadsden, AL](#)**
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- Oct 19** [**American Indian Festival \(2019\)**](#) [**Upper Marlboro, MD**](#)
 Food, music, dancing, activities, oral traditional story telling, live birds of prey and more! Some nominal fees. Call 301-627-6074 for more information
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- Oct 19** [**Auburn Big Time Pow Wow \(2019\)**](#) [**Auburn, CA**](#)
 Honoring Families and Children of Yesterday and Today
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- Oct 19 - 20** [**Chester County American Indian Cultural Festival Honey Brook, PA**](#)
 Head Dancers: Matt White Eagle and Chris Morning Dove Gates open each day at 10am with Grand Entry at Noon. Performance by: Spirit Wing...rain or....[**Find More Information**](#) »
- Oct 19** [**Cowlitz Indian Tribe Pow Wow \(2019\)**](#) [**Ridgefield, WA**](#)
 Women's Traditional Men's Traditional Women's Fancy / Jingle Men's Fancy / Grass Teen Boys Combined 13-17 Teen Girls Combined 13-17 Jr. Boys Combined Jr. Girls Combined Tiny Tots ... [**Find More Information**](#) »
- Oct 19 - 20** [**Sacred Springs Pow Wow \(2019\)**](#)
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- Oct 26** [**Badin-Hardaway Powwow \(2019\)**](#)
[**Badin, NC**](#) [**Find More Information**](#) »
- Oct 26** [**Cancer Awareness Pow Wow & Health Fair \(2019\)**](#) [**Watonga, OK**](#)
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- Oct 26** [**Southern Virginia American Indian Festival \(2019\)**](#) [**Chase City, VA**](#)
 Sponsored by Chase City Special Events II, Inc – 501c-3 Head Dancers – Jeremy Womble, Cherokee Contessa Sancho, Monican Jr Head Dancers – Adam Hamilton, Monican Kaylee Austin, Monican***ALL... [**Find More Information**](#)»
- Oct26** [**Delaware Pow Wow Fundraiser - Gourd Dance & Stomp**](#) Bartlesville, OK
 Come join us for a fun evening of gourd dancing followed by a stomp dance at the Delaware Tribe's new stomp dance arena.
 Head Singer: Russ Mashunkashey
 Head Gourd Dancer: Dude Blalock
[**Everyone is Welcome! Bring your lawn chairs. Concessions Available**](#)



CNN Hereos Highlights Pueblo Ballerina Than Povi

Meet the Indigenous Protectors of the World's Most Sacred Places

By Christopher McLeod, YES! Magazine **23 April 16**

All around the world, sites sacred to indigenous people are besieged by mining, tourism, and other threats. Meet the groups safeguarding and restoring them. Caleen Mt_650.jpg

Back in the 1990s, there was an intense debate among my Native American friends about



whether public education about sacred places would be a good idea. One activist argued forcefully that: "Sacred places don't need a PR campaign. They need ceremony and prayer." But many places, from the San Francisco Peaks and Black Mesa in the Southwest to Bear Butte and Devils Tower in the Black Hills, were being desecrated. Ski resorts. Coal stripmines. New Agers. Rock climbers. Dams. While some battles revealed outright racism, other sacred sites were being destroyed out of ignorance. Though tradition long mandated that "sacred" meant "secret," more people began to agree that limited information about sacred places should be shared in order to nurture understanding, build respect, and inspire allies.

Wicahpi oyate kin matanhanyelo
na anpetu wan hel ake
wagliktelo.
I come from the star nation and
one day I will return.

"We use the word 'sacred.'
That's not an Indian word. That

comes from Europe," Onondaga elder Oren Lyons explained to me during an interview for the Standing on Sacred Ground film series. "It comes from your churches. We have our own way to say things. The way we use it, it's a place to be respected, a place to be careful."

Try watching this video on www.youtube.com, or enable JavaScript if it is disabled in your browser.

Around the planet, indigenous communities still guard their sacred places—mountains, springs, rivers, caves, forests, medicinal plant gardens, burials of beloved ancestors. Everywhere it seems these places are under siege. Each attack is met with a spirited defense because sacred places anchor cultures. They provide meaning. They give life, give information, heal, and offer visions and instructions about how to live, how to adapt, how to be resilient.

There have been many inspiring victories. At Kakadu in Australia, Aboriginal leaders stopped uranium mining and protected a World Heritage Site. At Devils Tower in Wyoming, the National Park Service consulted with Lakota elders and developed a plan to discourage climbing. Native Hawaiians stopped U.S. Navy bombardment of sacred Kaho'olawe island and are now restoring it spiritually and ecologically as a cultural refuge. But battles rage on at Mauna Kea, on Oak Flat, in the Amazon.

On Earth Day, let us all celebrate the sacred lands and territories of our indigenous friends. And let's pledge to work harder to respect these supremely important places.

The following photos were shot as we produced the Standing on Sacred Ground films and are shared out of respect—to help us all explore the mystery of what is sacred.

Winnemem Wintu Chief Caleen Sisk leads a sunrise prayer ceremony at Mt. Shasta in California. The Winnemem are fighting a U.S. government plan to raise the height of nearby Shasta Dam, which would flood ancestral village sites, burials, and dozens of sacred places on the McCloud River. The Winnemem wish to restore the Chinook salmon to the river that flows through their homeland.

In the Altai Republic of Russia, shaman Maria Amanchina has worked for years to protect the Ukok Plateau, a sacred burial area and World Heritage Site that's home to endangered snow leopards. The government-owned energy giant, Gazprom, plans to build a natural gas pipeline to China through this remote mountain plateau. Already, Russian archaeologists have unearthed indigenous bodies here for museum display.

Military and consumer demand propels mining operations into the most remote regions of the planet. In Papua New Guinea, John Kepma and his family were forcibly relocated by Chinese-government-owned RamuNico because their village sat atop a rich nickel-cobalt deposit. Brothers John and Peter Kepma resisted for years, but police came early one morning and destroyed their homes. Mine runoff and chemicals are now polluting the sacred Ramu River and refinery waste is dumped in the sea.

A moral outrage is unfolding in the tar sands region of Alberta, Canada—polluted water seeping through unlined waste ponds, deformed fish, lethal cancers in First Nations communities, and inadequate science serving an industry that has long been in bed with the government. Few Americans realize they are burning tar sands oil in their cars, with 1.4 million barrels per day being imported into the United States, even without the Keystone XL pipeline.

In the Gamo Highlands of Ethiopia, village elders manage sacred meadows and forests according to age-old customary laws and consensus decision-making that starts and ends with prayer. Shortly after this photo was taken in sacred Dorbo Meadow, evangelical Christians disrupted a marriage and initiation ceremony by erecting poles for a church in the heart of the meadow. According to traditional custom, the vivid green grass carpet of Dorbo Meadow must never be pierced. A riot erupted, which >we captured in our documentary

film.

Q'eros women embark on a pilgrimage to the Quyllur Rit'i festival in the heart of the Peruvian Andes. They pass before sacred Mt. Ausangate, whose glaciers are rapidly disappearing as the planet warms. Q'eros leaders make prayers and offerings to the apus, the powerful spirits of the mountains, and wonder if they have in some way failed to show proper respect, while carbon emissions in far away places are the more likely cause of their water's demise.

Gudangi women and children dance for the Rainbow Serpent along the McArthur River in Australia's Northern Territory. The river is held sacred by local Aboriginal clans whose Dreamtime stories include the story of the Rainbow Serpent who created the river and lives forever nearby. One of the largest zinc deposits in the world lies directly beneath the riverbed and when mining giant Xstrata started relocating the river to strip-mine the zinc, Aboriginal leaders sued and stopped the bulldozers. But the Northern Territory Parliament rewrote the law and the river channel was moved.

Native Hawaiians arrive on the sacred island of Kaho'olawe, where they are restoring the island after 50 years of target practice bombing by the U.S. Navy. A decades-long resistance movement based on *aloha aina*, love for the land, won the island back. Today, Hawaiians are redefining "restoration" as they incorporate spiritual ceremony and cultural revival into their ecological practices.

"Our struggle is not easy. Those who oppose our cause are rich and powerful, and they have many allies in high places. We are poor. Our allies are few. But we have something the rich do not own. We have our bodies and spirits and the justice of our cause as our weapons. When we are really honest with ourselves, we must admit that our lives are all that really belong to us. So it is how we use our lives that determines what kind of men we are. It is my deepest belief that only by giving our lives do we find life. I am convinced that the truest act of courage, the strongest act of manliness is to sacrifice ourselves for others in a totally nonviolent struggle for justice. To be a man is to suffer for others. God help us be men!" 3.10.68 Cesar Chavez

IMLS Invests \$5 Million in Library Services for Tribal Communities

Federal Grants to Support Language and Culture Preservation, Revitalization

WASHINGTON, DC — The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) today announced grants totaling \$5,063,000 through three programs designed to support and improve library services of Native American and Native Hawaiian organizations.

"For over two decades, IMLS has been investing in tribal library services," said IMLS Director Dr. Kathryn K. Matthew. "These grants continue our legacy of empowering Native American tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations to preserve and maintain their unique cultural traditions, revitalize their native languages, and provide critical services to their communities."

Native American Library Services Basic Grants support existing library operations and maintain core library services. These noncompetitive grants are distributed in equal amounts among eligible applicants. Grants totaling \$1,960,416 will be awarded to 188 Indian tribes, Alaska native villages, and regional and village corporations.

Native American Library Services Enhancement Grants augment existing library services or implement new library services for Indian tribes. Enhancement Grants are only awarded to applicants that have applied for a Native American Library Services Basic Grant in the same fiscal year.

IMLS received 27 applications requesting \$3,548,389 and was able to award \$2,684,565 to [21 tribes in 9 states](#). This year's awarded grants will advance the preservation and revitalization of language and culture, as well as educational programming and digital services. Examples include:

- The Fort Belknap Indian Community Council's Aaniiih Nakoda College Library in Montana will address Fort Belknap's substance abuse crisis by providing community members with prevention and treatment information resources, educational programming, and outreach activities.
- The Jemez Pueblo Community Library & Archives in New Mexico, in partnership with the Jemez Language Team, will help young tribal members learn the art of making items that are necessary for participation in traditional Jemez cultural activities, such as ancestral dances and traditional games, through a series of workshops.
- The Chilkat Indian Village of Klukwan Community and School Library in Alaska will record and preserve elders' knowledge of Chilkat Tlingit traditions and practices to revitalize their use by clan leaders. Access to the resulting recordings and books will be made available at the library and through interlibrary loan.
- The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation in California will establish a physical and digital native plant and seed library and a propagation nursery, essential in supporting tribal and community education about local indigenous environmental practices, language, and cultural traditions.

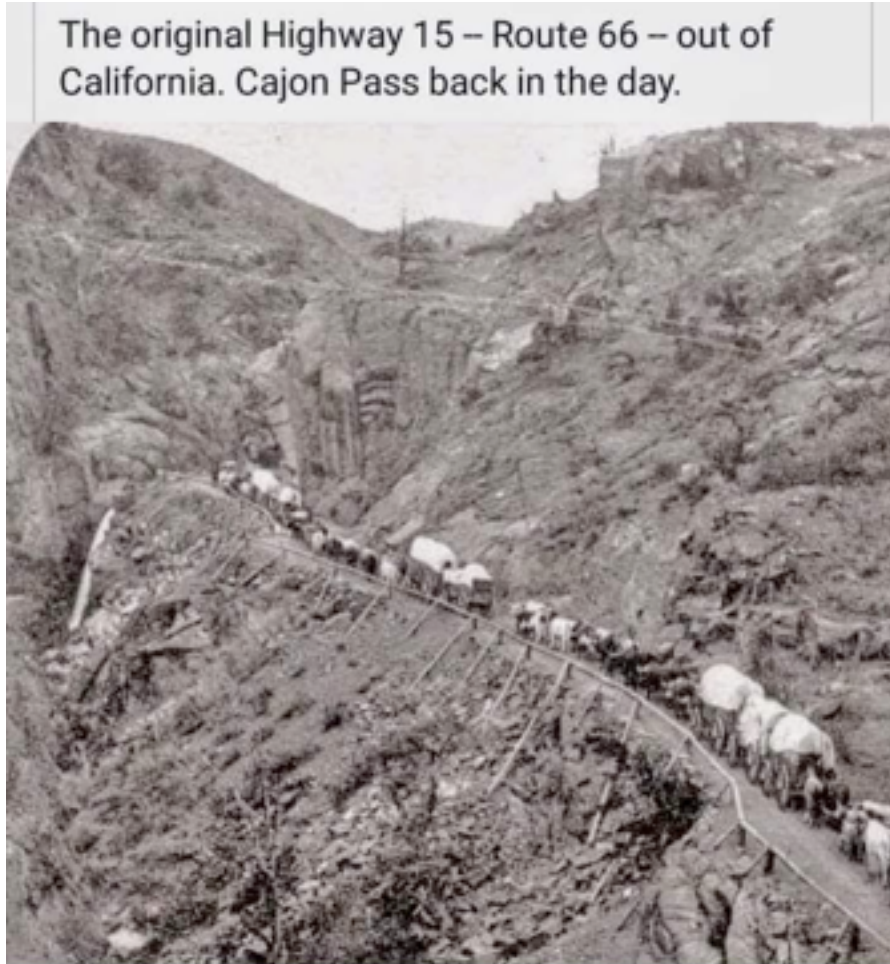
Native Hawaiian Library Services grants are available to nonprofit organizations that primarily serve and represent Native Hawaiians so they can enhance existing or implement new library services. This year, IMLS is awarding \$418,019 to the [three organizations](#) serving Native Hawaiians that applied for funding:

- The Keiki O Ka Aina's Ka Waihona 'Ike will increase literacy skills among Native Hawaiian children from birth to eight years old by engaging parents and children with book-centered activities. The project will also provide training for parents to support literacy development and ensure access to dual Hawaiian-English language literature.
- Papahana Kuaola will support the knowledge, preservation, and understanding of traditional Hawaiian lifestyle traditions and practices through workshops taught by cultural practitioners, offered to 800 Hawaiian community members on the islands of O'ahu, Moloka'i and Maui.
- The Hula Preservation Society will create an online digital library featuring the collections of five late Hula Masters born between 1918 and 1930, providing greater access to authentic cultural resources from a Hawaiian worldview.

This month, IMLS also awarded an out-of-cycle grant to the Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums (ATALM) to support the upcoming conference in October.

Choling Wilcox is Cree artist.

Shared creative spark unites cartoonist and painter decades after they met, married <http://strib.mn/2Uesfw>



The original Highway 15 – Route 66 – out of California. Cajon Pass back in the day.

[Trump to Miners, Loggers and Drillers: This Land Is Your Land](#)

By THE EDITORIAL BOARD

From Alaska’s Tongass National Forest to Minnesota’s Boundary Waters, the Trump administration wants to despoil, not preserve, America’s resources

[Bill introduced to allow nuclear power to qualify as a renewable energy source](#)

By KSBY, 8/28/19

A California constitutional amendment would allow nuclear power to qualify as a renewable energy source under the state's Renewables Portfolio Standard.

Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham introduced

ACA 18 , which he says would create fairness in the renewable energy market. Currently, California’s climate change laws do not allow all types of carbon emission-free sources of power to be counted towards emissions goals, the press release stated.

Phoebe Hearst Museum:

Join author and archaeologist Jordan Jacobs for an exciting adventure into Ancient Peru alongside the gutsy young fictional archaeologist, Samantha Sutton. Jacobs will speak about the science of archaeology, the use of psychedelic cacti in Peruvian spiritual practices, and will share excerpts from "Samantha Sutton and the Labyrinth of Lies". Following the talk, visitors will be able to try their hand at archaeological lab-work with replica Peruvian artifacts and tour the current exhibit - Pleasure, Poison, Prescription, Prayer: The Worlds of Mind-Altering Substances.

Recommended for participants ages 9-13. Adult chaperones receive free admission.

About the Author: Jordan Jacobs has loved archaeology for as long as he can remember. His childhood passion for mummies, castles and Indiana Jones led to his participation in his first excavation, at age 13. Jordan's work for the Smithsonian, the American Museum of Natural History and UNESCO Headquarters in Paris has focused on policy and the protection of archaeological sites in the developing world and Jordan's research and travel opportunities have taken him to more than fifty countries. Jordan now works as Head of Cultural Policy at the Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology at UC Berkeley. He lives in Northern California with his wife and two daughters.

<https://readersupportednews.org/news-section2/318-66/58408-cherokee-nation-is-coming-to-congress>

Searching for El Dorado: The Colonial Fantasy of the Amazon by Ed Simon

There is a direct ideological thread that runs from the early explorers of the Caribbean and South America and the current environmental catastrophe unfolding in the Brazilian rainforest as fire burns its way across the length of a land which was once called paradise.



Bucky Harjo

From really high above! Numaga Indian Days, Hungry Valley Reno Sparks Indian Colony.

[Elveda Martinez](#)

Four Direction is working for political awareness. Our Native people need to educate themselves on the candidates. We're going to need your tribe to be involved in January [Kami Sue Miller](#).

[Tribal leaders say 2020 should be about 'life or death' issues, not Warren's DNA](#)
abcnews.go.com

[Toxic Alaska Mine Could "Destroy the World's Last Great Sockeye Salmon Fishery"](#)
JOAQLIN ESTUS, INDIAN COUNTRY TODAY

Alaska Gov. Mike Dunleavy had nothing but encouragement for a potential investor in a controversial mine. But a coalition of tribes and environmental and fishing organizations say the waste from the Pebble Mine would have to be stored forever near the headwaters of the world's largest sockeye salmon fishery, both a cultural and multi-billion dollar resource. [Read the Article](#)
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