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To watch the day fade into night and the world is embraced in twilight for the moment, all is peaceful, calm, and serene. Clouds slowly drift and have a soft pastel glow, letting go of the worries, and praying for this moment in life, how beautiful this moment is. Bucky Harjo



Nevada State Museum, Carson City

Meet the newest addition to our Basketry Vault!

This basket celebrates renowned Northern Paiute spiritual leader Wovoka and the Ghost Dance movement he inspired in an exquisite feat of beadwork by Jacqueline Rickard, artist and Walker River Paiute Tribe member living in Idaho. She has practiced traditional Paiute basket beading since 2005, continuing a family tradition of basket making by her cousin, Larena Burns, and their grandmother Mattie Vorhees. Ms. Rickard is a UNR fine arts graduate who largely taught herself weaving after retiring from public school teaching, beginning with pine-needle baskets and later studying willow basket-making with Elaine Smokey of Schurz, Nevada.

Rickard felt drawn to Wovoka, who's final resting place is on the Walker River Reservation. She chose colors symbolic of Walker River tribal history to surround his portrait: red for the concept of home, yellow for the white/Euro-American presence on the land, green for the future, and blue for water. Encircling the rest of the basket are Ghost Dance Circle figures and two Ghost Dancers, depicting the spiritual dance movement that sprang from Wovoka's teachings and spread to Native communities across the western U.S. Wovoka taught that practice of the Ghost Dance would reunite Native people with their ancestors and bring a renewed Earth, a vision shattered by the Wounded Knee Massacre of Lakota Sioux by the U.S. Army in 1890. Wild doves, symbolizing peace and spirituality, circle the bottom of the basket. Rickard chose the background and rim geometric designs, motifs found throughout the art of other Native American cultures, to represent the commonality of the Native experience.

We are honored to add this incredible work to our Basketry Collection, which includes over 2000 baskets from throughout North America with a focus on the Great Basin. The collection ranges from prehistoric, Arts and Crafts period (1870-1920), to contemporary basketry. This basket was generously donated to the Museum by the FRDK Trust.

Gov. Stitt, city of Tulsa work to limit new tribal reservation ruling

https://www.oklahoman.com/story/news/politics/government/2023/07/19/ tulsa-oklahoma-governor-kevin-stitt-video-tribal-reservation-supremecourt/70425418007/

Climate Hope Has a Champion

Rebecca Solnit gives readers reason to believe <u>https://alumni.berkeley.edu/california-magazine/2023-spring-summer/climate-hope-has-a-champion/</u>

UC Berkeley Goes All-Electric As Part of Ambitious Clean Energy Campus Plan

Goodbye 36-year-old gas turbine, hello electric thermal plant https://alumni.berkeley.edu/california-magazine/2023-spring-summer/berkeley-goes-allelectric-as-part-of-ambitious-clean-energy-campus-plan/

Question: When I take five and add six, I get eleven. But when I take six and add seven, I get one. What am I?

How to Become a Better Wildlife Advocate

https://getpocket.com/collections/how-to-become-a-better-wildlife-advocate? utm_source=pocket-newtab

> They go inside a building to talk to their god. We go out into the natural world — and our Creator speaks to us.



Webinar: Helping Communities Solve Water Challenges through EPA's Water Technical Assistance

Every community deserves access to clean, safe and reliable drinking water and wastewater services. Yet, too many communities across America – in rural, tribal, suburban, and urban areas – struggle to address water infrastructure needs and obtain funding. <u>EPA's Water</u> <u>Technical Assistance</u> (WaterTA) efforts provide free hands-on support for communities to assess their water needs, identify potential solutions, and apply for federal funding to address their water challenges.

Join us for an informational webinar about WaterTA and available resources to help ensure every community has essential water and wastewater services.

Webinar Details: Date: July 31, 2023 Time: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. ET Register Here: <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/waterta-informational-webinar-</u>tickets-676686717187?aff=oddtdtcreator

For more information on WaterTA, please visit: <u>https://www.epa.gov/water-infrastructure/water-technical-assistance</u>. Questions may be directed to <u>WaterTA@epa.gov</u>. This is a message from the EPA-EJ Listserve. This is a moderated listserve. Postings are done by the US EPA's Office of Environmental Justice. To send a message for posting, send it to <u>environmental-justice-epa@epa.gov</u>.

Webinar Series for Environmental and Climate (ECJ) Grant Program Design

EPA is hosting three informational webinars on the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) expected to be issued under the Inflation Reduction Act's Environmental and Climate Justice (ECJ) Grant Program in 2023. These webinars will provide information on the NOFO and the ECJ Grant Program including who is eligible for the grants, eligible projects, and more. The Agency is seeking public input on the NOFO during the webinars and hopes to hear ideas on potential projects and the types of resources applicants may need. These webinars are intended for potential applicants and other interested parties.

Webinar Details:

Date: August 3, 2023 Time: 1:30 – 3:30 pm EDT I12:30 – 2:30 pm CDT I11:30 am – 1:30 pm MDT I10:30 am – 12:30 pm PDT I9:30 - 11:30am ADT Target Audience: Federally recognized tribal governments, Alaskan native villages, tribal community representatives, and tribal and/or indigenous community-based nonprofit organizations.

Register Here:

https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-environmental-and-climate-justice-program

Date: August 8, 2023

Time: 5:00 pm SST, American Samoa I 12:00 am EDT August 9th **Target Audience:** Potential applicants and other interested parties within the specified U.S. territories.

Register Here: <u>https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-environmental-and-climate-justice-program</u>

Date: August 9, 2023

Time: 5:00 pm GMT+10 Guam and Northern Mariana Islands I 3:00 am EDT **Target Audience:** Potential applicants and other interested parties within the specified U.S. territories.

Register Here: <u>https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-environmental-and-climate-justice-program</u>

For questions about these webinars or to request reasonable accommodations for a disability, interpretation, and/or translation services in a language other than English, please email <u>ECJRFI@epa.gov</u>.

For more information on the ECJ program and outreach events please visit:

https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-environmental-and-climate-justice-program

For more information about EPA's Environmental Justice Funding and Program Implementation please visit:

https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-grants-funding-and-technicalassistance.

Background:

The ECJ Grant Program was established by Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 138 as created under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). The NOFO will include approximately \$2 billion for grants to eligible entities for a wide range of projects

that benefit underserved communities including Tribal and Alaskan Native Village areas. Eligible applicants for this grant program include community-based nonprofit organizations (CBOs), local governments or institutions of higher education who partner with CBOs, and Tribes in partnership with a community-based nonprofit organization per the IRA statute. The grants cannot exceed three years in duration, and funding must be awarded by September 30, 2026.

For up-to-date information about Environmental Justice funding opportunities, events, and webinars, subscribe to EPA's Environmental Justice listserv by sending a blank email to: join-epa-ei@lists.epa.gov. Follow us on Twitter: @EPAEnvJustice



After 85-day protest, UC Berkeley will keep its anthropology library - kind of

While it will no longer serve as a circulation library, as students had demanded, it will remain open as a reading room, with a small collection for on-site browsing. by <u>Ally Markovich</u> July 20, 2023, 3:35 p.m.

After nearly three months occupying UC Berkeley's anthropology library, a beleaguered group of protesters packed up their sleeping bags last week and declared victory.

The George and Mary Foster Anthropology Library will remain open — but as a reading room controlled by the anthropology department.

UC Berkeley has agreed to keep about 20,000 volumes on the shelves of the small library, preserving approximately 40% of the books currently in the space. The library will continue to serve the community, staffed by a student worker.

But its main function as a circulating library is over. Patrons will be able to browse the collection, but they won't be able to take the books home. For that, they will have to request books from the main stacks or an off-campus warehouse in Richmond.

"We've lost our circulating library. There's no way around that," said Dr. Sabrina Agarwal, chair of the anthropology department. "But I think we're trying to think of it as the best possible outcome."

The plan is a compromise recently put forward by the anthropology faculty. It attempts to deliver on the students' desire to preserve the experience of conducting academic research by browsing for books on curated shelves, while taking into account the university's unwillingness to keep supporting a circulating library that's use has been dwindling.

Protesters occupied the library from April 21 until July 15. As time wore on, support from the faculty, some of whom were initially involved in the sit-in, waned, Agarwal said. In addition to students from the anthropology department, the protest was sustained by outside groups like By Any Means Necessary (BAMN).



Adi Hoag, an organizer with By Any Means Necessary, slept overnight in the anthropology library during the occupation along with dozens of other protesters. Credit: Zac Farber The protesters continued their chief demand that the university restore the library's fundamental function — circulate books in the field of anthropology. It was a rarity even among the nation's best research institutions; Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania are now the only two schools with their own anthropology circulation libraries.

But UC Berkeley wouldn't budge on the cost.

Closing the anthropology library, <u>along with the physics-astronomy and mathematics statistics</u> <u>libraries</u>, will save the university about \$1.2 million each year. The amount is a sliver of the university's \$3.2 billion budget, but the university says it's a necessary cost-saving measure, especially as circulation dwindles and costs rise. The closure of the other libraries did not face the same opposition.

In the end, the university agreed to give the department a one-time \$45,000 allowance to help it transition the library into a reading room. But in taking control of the library, the anthropology department also agreed to take on the cost of running it. Agarwal said the department will use endowment money dedicated to maintaining the space to help defray the costs.

Students have protested plans to reduce services or close the anthropology library multiple times in the last decade as the university library's budget has shrunk.

In an increasingly digital world, the sit-in drew attention to the value of analog research, conducted with the help of a librarian, in the company of others working in your field.

"This has shown a lot of students and academics across the world the value of the paper book, how it should be used in research and how we should continue to teach students about the value of research and libraries. And that's a skill that's been lost, I think," Agarwal said.

Now, some of that knowledge is being dispersed. To access the books that won't be held in the anthropology library, students will need to use the stacks or request books online. The collection will be split up, though students successfully advocated for some smaller collections, like books on Native American studies, to be preserved together.

The student organizers celebrated the end of the occupation online. "We view this win not as the end of this fight, but as part of the continuing struggle for public education," the organizers of the occupation wrote in <u>an Instagram post</u>. "Our occupation has shown that we do not need to accept administrative "final decisions" or "budget cuts."

The department also agreed to give a limited number of community members access to the library's materials for free, a key ask for the students occupying the library. The space will continue to be used for faculty and "It was important to us to make sure that anyone, no matter their relationship to this campus, would continue to have access to materials related to anthropology," Jesús Gutiérrez, a doctoral candidate in the anthropology department who helped lead the protest, wrote in an email.



Merritt College Fall Classes

Oakland | Register by August 4

Merritt College's Natural History and Sustainability program, a "trade school for nature," is offering FREE courses this Fall that can't be found anywhere else in the Bay Area, including lichens, bird songs, and environmental careers. To guarantee enrollment, register by August 4; all courses are completely free! **Link here**.



New Indigenous Peoples' Basket Exhibit at Coyote Hills

To celebrate and preserve the rich cultural heritage of Indigenous People, an updated exhibit showcasing the exquisite artistry of Indigenous basketry has been unveiled at Coyote Hills Regional Park in Fremont. This exhibit features baskets from the Wukchumni, Yowlumne, and Tachi people of California's Central Valley, woven by different generations of the same Indigenous family. <u>More info</u>.

Archives News



State Electronic Records Initiative (SERI) Webinars

The SERI Education + Programming Subcommittee is taking a break for June and July and making plans for a webinar on Capstone after the summer break. If you'd like to participate as a presenter, reach out: <u>info@statearchivists.org</u>.

October we're celebrating Electronic Records day on 10/10. SERI subcommittees are assembling a webinar on Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in archives along with an informational poster. Do you have a speaker you've heard recently or a resource you'd like to add to their list? Reach out to us.

Have an idea for a future SERI Webinar? The subcommittee is always gathering new ideas!

Find slides and recordings of SERI Webinars from February 13, 2018 to the present >

CoSA-NARA Webinars

NARA staff will be joining CoSA in DC for the return of the **Great Ideas Exchange**. This live event will replace our regularly scheduled webinar. Look for a summary of our conversation and a date for a future webinar.

The recording of the webinar on replevin is available <u>here</u>. Find slides and recordings of CoSA-NARA

Monica Minaya has joined the Utah State Archives as Government Records Ombudsman. Learn more about Monica <u>here</u>.

The following members have announced pending retirements: **Michael Comeau**, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Archives; **Beth Golding**, Florida State Archivist; and **Sandra Treadway**, Librarian of Virginia. We wish you well!

State Launches Historic Firefighting Partnership with the Pala Band of ...

ABOUT **PALA FIRE DEPARTMENT**. Established in 1978, the **Pala Fire Department**, with only two (2) firefighters and a 300-gallon water tank, expanded in 1980 to a full-time volunteer **department** - operating twenty (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. In 2006 the **Fire Department** established its Advanced Life Support (ALS) Paramedic program ...

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