



Indigenous Art takes spotlight in New Mexico with formation of Indigenous Celebration New Mexico 2022 collaboration

Institutions and partners across the state join forces for unmatched year of events highlighting Native American Art & Culture

Santa Fe, NM, March 3, 2022 – New Mexico is an Indigenous Art Mecca and 2022 is an unprecedented year across the state for major anniversaries, groundbreaking exhibit openings, and celebrations honoring the original American Art. To promote this significant year and the plethora of can't-miss events, like the Santa Fe Indian Market centennial market and the 100th Gallup Intertribal Ceremonial, occurring throughout Santa Fe and the state in 2022, **Indigenous Celebration New Mexico 2022 (IC22)** collaboration has formed.

IC22 is the largest ever cooperative initiative focused on celebrating and honoring Indigenous art of the United States and Canada. This unparalleled collaboration brings together 44 New Mexico cultural institutions, longstanding annual events, nonprofits, government departments, private art businesses, and supporting partners from many industries. All IC22 partners have the singular vision to make New Mexico known internationally as the world's most notable destination to experience Native American culture and the most recognized location to learn about, view, and purchase Indigenous Art.

In 2022, New Mexico will host major milestones of Indigenous art and culture including the centennial market of the Southwestern Association for Indian Arts (SWAIA) Santa Fe Indian Market, the 115th year of the School for Advanced Research (SAR) and centennial for SAR's Indian Arts Research Center (IARC) Collection, the 100th Gallup Intertribal Ceremonial, the 85th anniversary of the Wheelwright Museum of the American Indian, the grand opening of two groundbreaking galleries at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, the 60th anniversary of the Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) and the 50th anniversary of the IAIA Museum of Contemporary Native Arts, plus the first-ever Art Indigenous Santa Fe contemporary Indigenous art gallery show.

IC22 partners launched a new website designed to be the single best resource for all 2022 Native American Art and Culture event details: www.indigenousecelebration22.org.

All of New Mexico's venerable Native Culture institutions and events are participating in the IC22 effort; in addition, organizations not typically thought of for Indigenous Art & Cultural offerings, like the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum and Performance Santa Fe, will be creating special exhibits and events to honor and participate in this significant year.

Follow IC22 news and updates on Facebook and Instagram @IndigenousCelebration22 and with #IndigenousCelebration22.

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About Indigenous Celebration New Mexico 2022:

Indigenous Celebration New Mexico 2022 (IC22) is an unprecedented collaborative initiative highlighting the exceptional Indigenous Artists and venerable Indigenous art and culture events and institutions across the state of New Mexico. IC22 aims to draw attention to New Mexico as the world's most notable destination for Indigenous American Art; thereby elevating the original American Art to a distinguished segment of the international art market. In 2022, New Mexico will host major milestones of Indigenous art and culture including the centennial market of the Southwestern Association for Indian Arts (SWAIA) Santa Fe Indian Market, the 115th year of the School for Advanced Research (SAR) and centennial for SAR's Indian Arts Research Center (IARC) Collection, the 100th Gallup Intertribal Ceremonial, the 85th anniversary of the Wheelwright Museum of the American Indian, the grand opening of two groundbreaking galleries at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, the 60th anniversary of the Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) and the 50th anniversary of the IAIA Museum of Contemporary Native Arts, plus the first-ever Art Indigenous Santa Fe contemporary Indigenous art gallery show. Find a list of IC22 events and learn more at: www.indigenouscelebration22.org.

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