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Artown unveils July festival lineup and 2024 artwork

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/travel/tripideas/artown-unveils-july-festival-lineup-and-2024-artwork/ar-AA1o06M7>

(Extract) In addition to the lineup of artists, Artown unveiled the official artwork for the 2024 Festival. The art was created by Steve Nighthawk, a descendant of the Shoshone, Washoe, and Paiute Nations of the Great Basin and an enrolled member of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC).

Artown representatives say Nighthawk's artwork captures the natural world and indigenous lifeways of the region.

“Steve is a longtime friend of mine and is one of Reno-Sparks Indian Colony’s (RSIC) most well-known artists,” said RSIC Tribal Chairman, Daryl D. Gardipe. “His pencil, charcoal and pastel drawings bring our traditional stories and culture to life. In fact, I have one of his drawings hanging in my office. It has specific basket designs that represent the 3 tribal nations RSIC represents, the Washoe, Paiute and Shoshone Tribes. We are ecstatic Artown chose RSIC Tribal Member, Steve Nighthawk to create the 2024 Artown Festival event flyer.”

Artown unveils 2024 poster, its first by a Native artist

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/travel/article/artown-unveils-2024-poster-its-first-by-a-native-artist/ar-AA1o00Ka?cvid=250ed6807d8b48debf4a15d4d3319cab&ei=3>

Readers need to click this URL to watch the video!

(Extract)

Steve Nighthawk has known since he was 7 years old that he wanted to be an artist.

Now, decades later, Nighthawk feels like he made the big time as the artist for the 2024 Artown poster.

"Do art no matter what," Nighthawk said of what Artown is all about. "It's an honor to be a part of something like this."

The poster features a basket, a traditional symbol in Native American culture that dates back thousands of years, with the Reno skyline woven into its design.

This is the first year the Artown poster was created by a Native American artist. Nighthawk is a member of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and a descendant of the Shoshone, Washoe and Paiute people of Nevada. He is just one of dozens of artists who will [also have his art on display at a gallery during Artown.](#)

As dismantling of largest dam begins on Klamath River, activists see ‘new beginning’

Los Angeles Times, 5/3/2024 - Workers have begun dismantling the largest dam on the Klamath River, using machinery to scoop the first loads of rocks from an earthen barrier that has stood near the California-Oregon border for more than six decades. Several Indigenous leaders and activists watched as a single earthmover tore into the top of Iron Gate Dam, starting a pivotal phase in the largest dam removal project in U.S. history.

Biden expands 2 national monuments in California significant to tribal nations

KCRA, 5/3/2024 - President Joe Biden on Thursday expanded two national monuments in California following calls from tribal nations, Indigenous community leaders and others for the permanent protection of nearly 120,000 acres (48,562 hectares) of important cultural and environmental land.

Meet The 28-Year-Old Californian Trying To Save The Colorado River

LAist, 5/1/2024. The Colorado River is in crisis — one of the worst in recorded history. We take more water out of the river than flows in, and climate change is making things worse. So for the past several months, the seven states that use Colorado River water have been trying to come up with a plan to keep the river from collapsing. Thirty tribal nations and Mexico also tap the Colorado River, but they are not formally represented in these negotiations.



BOISE, ID, UNITED STATES 04.26.2024

Photo by Master Sgt. Becky Vanshur

Idaho Army National Guard

The Idaho National Guard participated in a **groundbreaking ceremony at Duck Valley Reservation in Nevada on April 26, 2024 to celebrate the start of the construction of its new school, the Owyhee Combined School.** The Idaho National Guard is working with the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes to provide engineers to perform the initial groundwork as part of its strong partnership with the tribes through the Innovative Readiness Training program.

IRTs are U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) driven opportunities for servicemembers to work in our communities, performing deployment readiness tasks they simultaneously need to train on annually, creating a win-win for both Soldiers and Airmen and our communities. Tribal Chairman Brian Mason, Nevada's Governor Joe Lombardo, ECSD Superintendant CJ Anderson, Vice Principal Lynn John, Assemblywoman Alexis Hansen, as well as Idaho National Guard leadership and the local community, were in attendance. (U.S. National Guard photo by Master Sgt. Becky Vanshur)

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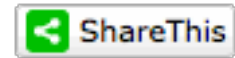
<https://www.npr.org/2024/05/01/1242470846/most-endangered-historic-places-2024>  
(Pics would not transfer)

A view of **Sitka Indian Village** from across Sitka Harbor, circa 1900-1930.  
Library of Congress/National Trust for Historic Preservation

The **Sitka Tlingit Village** in 2024. James Poulson/National Trust for Historic Preservation

**Sitka Tlingit Clan Houses, Sitka, Alaska:** "The Sitka Tlingit Clan Houses in southeast Alaska are critically important to both the history and the future of the Lingít (commonly spelled in English as "Tlingit"). For many years, the matrilineal clan structure of multigenerational extended families living together in clan houses was discouraged in favor of the Western practice of living with nuclear families. Today, only eight of the original 43 clan houses remain and even fewer still function as clan houses in the traditional way."

## [NV tribal stakeholders push for Bahsahwahbee National Monument](#)



May 1, 2024 - Alex Gonzalez, Public News Service (NV)



Last month, tribal and community leaders joined members of Congress from across the West to present more than 800,000 petition signatures, urging President Joe Biden to use the Antiquities Act to designate and expand national monuments. (Dominic Gentilcore/Adobe Stock)

Native American **tribes in Nevada are calling for designation of a new [national monument](#) in east central Nevada.**

They say Bahsahwahbee, commonly known as Swamp Cedars in White Pine County, holds cultural and spiritual significance for tribal nations.

Alvin Marques, chairman of the Ely Shoshone Tribe, explained Bahsahwahbee was a place of religious gatherings, healing ceremonies and celebrations, which made it a target for settlers who expanded into Indigenous "New territories" of the Western Shoshone Tribe. It was also the site where the largest known Indian massacre in U.S. history took place.

Marques said the federal government now has the chance to stand with tribes and honor Bahsahwahbee.

"It, in the past, was a place of celebration and became a place of mourning," Marques emphasized "It means enough to me that it needs to be protected forever. It would mean a lot for all the tribes involved and it's way overdue."

He pointed out before the tragedies, Bahsahwahbee was a place of happiness and should be remembered for both the good and bad. He added people from across the Great Basin still go to the area to visit their ancestors, pray and hold ceremonies. Three tribes are collecting signatures with the goal of getting Bahsahwahbee designated as a national monument.

While he cannot speak for all Nevadans, Marques suspects many in the Silver State probably are not aware of what happened at Bahsahwahbee. He feels confident high-ranking government officials are demonstrating strong support to stand with the tribes to preserve and commemorate what Marques calls a "sacred place."

"Time is running out, so we need action now," Marques stressed. "It's time for the federal government and our representatives to center our tribes and our history, and do the right thing, which is how the tribes have proposed this monument."

He added a national monument designation also would help familiarize more people with the Bahsahwahbee story. Those opposed to the monument recognition argued Nevada already has too much public land where uses are restricted.

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## **New, (cool) interactive map that shows impact of sea-level rise**

*Clicking on NOAA will take one to North Carolina, but you can put any address in and get your local view. Coastal tribes be forewarned. sdc*

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The map [by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration](#) allows users to see how different parts of the United States would be affected if sea levels rose by various amounts.

The map also allows users to click on certain streets and landmarks and view a projected image of how they would look if partially underwater.

The [United Nations'](#) Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) [projects](#) that by the year 2100, global sea levels will have risen by between 0.95 and 3.61 feet. However, it notes that a rise of around 6.6 feet "cannot be ruled out."

NOAA oceanographer William Sweet said in a previous email to [Newsweek](#): "NOAA's Sea Level Rise Viewer is a versatile mapping platform that provides insights on what lies in harm's way—either from ongoing sea level rise or flooding from full-moon tides to hurricane storm surges.

"Due to decades of sea level rise, high tides are drowning wetlands and routinely flooding U.S. coastal communities, disrupting commutes and commerce and requiring extensive upgrades to public works like storm and waste-water systems."

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## European court upholds Italy’s right to seize prized Greek bronze from Getty Museum, rejects appeal

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“The Getty had argued that its rights to the statue, under a European human rights protocol on protection of property, had been violated by Italy’s campaign to get it back.

“The European court ruled Thursday that no such violation had occurred. And it went even further, affirming in an online, English judgement what Italy’s Cassation had determined: that the statue was part of Italy’s cultural heritage, that international law strongly supported Italy’s efforts to recover it, and that the Getty had been at best negligent when it bought it without properly ascertaining its provenance.

“This is not just a victory for the Italian government. It’s a victory for culture,” said Maurizio Fiorilli, who as an Italian government attorney had spearheaded Italy’s efforts to recover its looted antiquities and, in particular, the Getty bronze.”

<https://apnews.com/article/italy-getty-antiquities-96f72dd9fb5ef528084f903742b846c8>



The graphic is a promotional banner for a webinar. On the left, there is a circular portrait of Cheryl Crazy Bull, a woman with glasses and a colorful scarf. To the right of the portrait, the text reads: "NATIVE HIGHER EDUCATION INSIGHTS" in white, followed by "NHE" in large white letters with a flame-like graphic to its right. Below "NHE" is the tagline "WHAT'S NEW AND WHAT DOES IT MEAN?". To the right of the portrait, the text says "Three-Part Virtual Webinar Series with President Cheryl Crazy Bull" in white. Below that, it says "ONE WEEK AWAY!" in large white letters, followed by "Session 2: May 9th, 2024". At the bottom right, there is a red button with the text "Register Today!". The background is dark with decorative geometric patterns in the corners.

**Cheryl doesn’t want you to miss this important discussion!**

Join Cheryl on Thursday, May 9th (11am PT/2pm ET) as she continues her new webinar series, *Native Higher Education Insights!* In this session, Cheryl will discuss how the delayed release of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the SCOTUS affirmative action ruling can have long-term impacts on Native students access to higher education.

**RSVP For Cheryl's Webinar**

## **GrantStation**

### **Workforce Opportunities for Rural Communities Initiative**

The [Workforce Opportunity for Rural Communities Initiative](#) (WORC) demonstration grants, which range in size from \$150,000 to \$1.5 million, will fund projects to provide career training and supportive services to workers who live or work in these regions to help them secure good-paying, stable jobs in high-demand occupations. WORC grants are intended to promote economic mobility; address historic inequities in marginalized communities, including people of color, people with disabilities and other underrepresented communities; and produce high-quality employment outcomes enabling workers to remain and thrive in these communities. WORC Round 6 places a strong emphasis on three key focus areas: enhancing access to Good Jobs, Prioritizing Equity, and Sustaining Impact.

Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Native American tribal organizations, and Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities are eligible applicants for these grants.

Due to unique experiences and circumstances facing communities across the three targeted regions, the WORC Initiative partners—the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), the Delta Regional Authority (DRA), and the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC)—will provide technical assistance to prospective applicants in their respective regions, as well as assistance and support to grantees throughout the life of the initiative, including through sharing of promising practices, curricula and resources developed by existing grantees. Potential applicants are encouraged to visit [www.arc.gov](http://www.arc.gov), [www.dra.gov](http://www.dra.gov), or [www.nbrc.gov](http://www.nbrc.gov) for more information, including dates and locations for pre-application technical assistance meetings.

**Issue Date: April 4, 2024**

**Closing Date: June 20, 2024**

[Learn more about Workforce Opportunity for Rural Communities Initiative grants and apply](#)

### **Highway Construction Workforce Development Grants**

On April 17, the Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration published a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO). This NOFO for Highway Construction Training Program (HCTP) grants will distribute up to \$4,226,871 in an anticipated total of 14 awards to eligible applicants.

The demand for highway construction, maintenance, and operations workers is growing, while at the same time, emerging technologies require these workers to have new skills. According to a 2022 national survey by the Associated General Contractors of America (AGC), more than 70 percent of construction firms reported difficulty finding qualified trade and craft workers and 90 percent reported difficulty filling salaried positions. Government agencies, trade organizations, private agencies, and local and Tribal communities nationwide need new, collaborative approaches to meeting this challenge.

For more detailed information, the NOFO can be [found here](#).

## **National Opportunities**

### **Performance of Contemporary American Music Supported**

The Aaron Copland Fund for Music encourages and improves public knowledge and appreciation of contemporary American music.

### **Grants Available for Social Justice Litigation**

The Barbara McDowell and Gerald S. Hartman Foundation makes grants to nonprofit organizations in the U.S. that undertake systemic social justice litigation.

### **Funds Target Cybersecurity, Journalism, and Military Families and Veterans**

craig newmark philanthropies, created by craigslist founder Craig Newmark, focuses on organizations on the frontlines of protecting the United States' security and democracy.

### **Support Benefits Education and Youth Programs**

Kars4Kids is a national Jewish nonprofit organization that funds educational and youth programs in communities throughout the United States.

## **Regional Opportunities**

### **Grants Promote Inclusion for Kentuckians Engaging in Substance Use**

The Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky's Shaping a Healthy and Inclusive Future Together (SHIFT) program aims to promote a culture of inclusion for individuals in Kentucky engaging in substance use or experiencing chemical dependence.

### **Support Provided in Native Communities in ND, SD, and MN**

The Good Relatives Collaborative provides grants to grassroots and Native-led organizations engaged in community-powered solutions serving Native communities in South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, and the Native nations that share the same geography.

### **Social Impact Theatre Funded in the West**

The Sheri and Les Biller Family Foundation's Social Impact Theatre Grant Program supports theatres in Western states that are igniting positive changes in their communities through the programming they bring to life on stage.

### **Grants Enhance Habitat Restoration in New England**

The Northeast Forests and Rivers Fund aims to restore and sustain healthy rivers, forests, and grasslands that provide habitat for diverse fish and wildlife populations.

## **Federal Opportunities**

### **Program Supports Research Into Technology**

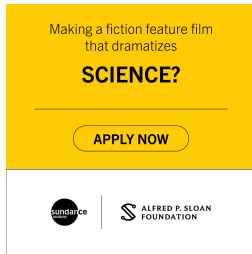
The Dangers and Opportunities of Technology: Perspectives from the Humanities program supports research that examines technology and its relationship to society through the lens of the humanities, with a focus on the dangers or opportunities presented by technology.

### **Funds Available for Radiation Exposure Screening**

The Radiation Exposure Screening and Education Program supports organizations screening and educating people exposed to radiation related to the mining of uranium and U.S. testing of nuclear weapons.



Grant and fellowship applications for the 2025 Development Track are now open!



[apply.sundance.org](https://apply.sundance.org)

[2025 Development Track - Sundance Institute](#)

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Preservation and Reinvestment Initiative for Community Enhancement Notice of Funding Opportunity

HUD issued a [Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#) which appropriates **\$225 million** in grant funding for the [PRESERVATION AND REINVESTMENT INITIATIVE FOR COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT \(PRICE\)](#) program. PRICE supports communities in their efforts to maintain, protect, and stabilize manufactured housing and manufactured housing communities (MHCs). Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) are eligible to apply, and **at least \$10 million of the available funding is intended for Tribal communities**. All applications must be submitted to Grants.gov to be eligible for review. HUD will hold several webinars on the NOFO, and the schedule for these can be found [here](#). The application deadline is **June 5, 2024**.

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**SBA low-interest federal disaster loans** are available to Oklahoma businesses and residents in Hughes, Love and Murray counties affected by the severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding that began on April 25, 2024. Businesses of all sizes and private nonprofit organizations may borrow up to \$2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory and other business assets. SBA can also lend additional funds to help with the cost of improvements to protect, prevent or minimize disaster damage from occurring in the future. [Learn more](#)

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Join SBA for a virtual Military Spouse Appreciation Month event on May 9, 2024, focused on connecting you with resources for every part of the entrepreneurship journey. This event will highlight valuable information for every type of business owner. From the aspiring startup to the experienced entrepreneur, there is something for everyone. [Register](#)

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### USDA and EDA Update Resources in Joint Guide to Boost Economic Development in Rural Communities

**WASHINGTON, May 3, 2024** – U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Under Secretary Dr. Basil Gooden today announced that USDA and the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) updated resources in [the joint guide](#) originally [released in 2022](#) to help rural communities build strategies to boost local economic development.

Both agencies made several key updates to ensure communities can access new webpages and resources.

Today's announcement reinforces USDA's commitment to strengthening partnerships that ensure rural Americans have the most up-to-date resources to compete in a modern economy and to create economic growth that lasts for generations to come.

Read full [stakeholder announcement](#).

## The ‘Circular Economy’ Can Help You Waste (and Spend) Less

[https://lifehacker.com/money/circular-economy-waste-and-spend-less?utm\\_source=pocket-newtab-en-us](https://lifehacker.com/money/circular-economy-waste-and-spend-less?utm_source=pocket-newtab-en-us)

Extract:

### Choose products wisely

You can't *always* find what you need at your neighbor's house or on Freecycle.

Sometimes you'll have no choice but to buy something new. In those cases, however, you can still support the circular economy by choosing companies that have embraced the concept too. For example:

- **Patagonia** has built its business model on a circular and sustainable concept, including its [Worn Wear program](#), which allows you to trade in your used gear and buy used gear in turn.
- **Ikea** not only works to use recycled materials in its products, it also offers a [Buyback & Resell program](#) allowing you to sell your unneeded Ikea furniture back to the company, which then sells it used to someone else, wasting nothing.
- **Adidas** has launched a [Three Loop Strategy](#), which aims to a) use recycled materials in its shoes, b) reuse those materials when the shoes wear out, and c) eventually switch to using natural and renewable resources in making its shoes in the first place.
- **Flor** has a robust [recycling program](#) for its rug tiles, making it easy to send old carpet tiles back to the company to be recycled and reused in a sustainable way.
- **Mattel** has its [Playback program](#), which makes it easy for families to [mail in their old, used plastic toys](#) so the materials can be recycled and reclaimed.

Choosing companies that are engaged with a circular economic strategy takes a little research, but once you identify them you can make your own efforts a lot easier by working with these companies when buying something is your only option—and establishing your own personal circular economy is the most effective way to lead a sustainable and eco-friendly lifestyle. (And think of the money you'll save.)

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The UT (Texas) History Department's award-winning podcast, [15 Minute History](#), is back with a new batch of episodes.

In a wide-ranging discussion of the history of water in the Western United States, [Erika Bsumek](#) talks listeners through her book, "The Foundations of Glen Canyon Dam," which shows **how indigenous history, environmental history and the history of infrastructure can inform water scarcity issues today.**

PowWows

[Four Bears Pow Wow 2024](#)

[May 23 - May 26, 2024 - New Town ND](#)

Grand Entries: Friday 7:00 pm Saturday 1:00pm & 7:00pm Sunday 1:00 pm Singing Contest: 1st \$20,000; 2nd \$15,000; 3rd \$12,000; 4th \$10,000;...

[For the People Pow Wow 2024](#)

[May 25 - May 26, 2024 - Jefferson City MO](#)

Admission is FREE* *Thanks to the generous support of Missouri Humanities. SATURDAY Noon-2:00: Gourd Dancing 2:30: Grand Entry 2:45-5:00: Inter-tribal 5:00-5:45: Dinner...

[15th Annual Woodland Gathering 2024](#)

[May 25 - May 26, 2024 - Zanesfield OH](#)

Free Admission Part of the Logan Hills Festival All Dancers Welcome Grand Entry 12 Noon Retreat 5PM No Politics. No Alcohol Drums-...

[12 Annual River Fest Memorial Weekend Gourd Dance 2024](#)

[May 26 - Farmington NM](#)

12 noon - 5pm. MC: Elvin Keeswood, Dine'/ Shiprock, NM. Lead Gourd Dancer : Herman Farley, Dine', Red Mesa Ut. Tia-Paih Society...

[Alabama Coushatta 54th Annual Pow Wow 2024](#)

[May 31 - Jun 1, 2024 - Livingston TX](#)

Admission \$7.00 per day; children 6 & under Free Seating is limited, bring your lawn chairs! Friday: 2PM - Gates Open...

[The Rainbow Where the Two Spirits Meet 2 Spirit Pow Wow 2024](#)

[May 31 - Edmonton AB](#)

"The Rainbow Where Two-Spirits Meet Pow wow" is an Indigenous Cultural Experience that celebrates the rich and diverse cultures of 2-Spirit individuals....

[Intermountain Championships Pow Wow 2024](#)

[Jun 1 - Jun 2, 2024 - Heber City UT](#)

The Cultural Fire Events team is excited to invite you to the second annual Intermountain Championships Powwow on June 1-2, 2024, at the River's Edge...

[Youth Mentorship Benefit Gourd Dance \(New Mexico\) 2024](#)

[Jun 1 - Gallup NM](#)

Free - Bring your own canopy & chairs Noon - 7:00pm (supper break 4:00pm-5:00pm - for head staff/singers) • Head Singer: Jason...

[Franklin Pierce School District Annual Pow Wow 2024](#)

[Jun 1 - Tacoma WA](#)

Free and open to the public. Vendors contact: Kate Pascal kpascal@fpschools.org or Teresa Washington twashington@fpschools.org Hours: 1:00pm-7:00pm 1st 4 drums receive day...

[Beats and Blessings 2024](#)

[Jun 2 - Los Angeles CA](#)

This a celebration of music, traditional workshops, and dancing. There will be food vendors, info booths, and lots of music. This is...

More coming!!