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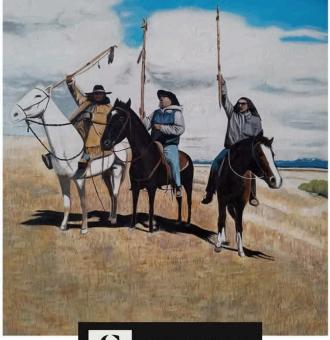
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Kimberly Avanna Lawson

Transmutations- Numa Past and Present





January 2 - 27, 2025 Reception: Saturday, January 11 ~ 1:00 - 3:30 pm



A historic day to have all these artists together: <u>Judith Lowry</u>, Ben Aleck, <u>Avanna Lawson</u>, <u>Jack</u> <u>Malotte</u>, <u>Jean LaMarr</u>, <u>M Kevin Jones</u> for Avanna's exhibition.

Transmutations-Numa Past and Present & Cloudscapes Kimberly Avanna Lawson & Kelsey Mast Exhibit Dates: January 2-27, 2025

This body of work encompasses abstract multimedia collage paintings which utilize objects found in old dumpsites of the Walker River Paiute reservation in Schurz, Nevada. These abstract paintings utilize objects such as old pieces of wood, rusted screen, rust dust, shoe soles, tar roof shingles, willow and feathers. Kimberly incorporates these items which are remnants from dilapidated facades to give a new life to these items. Kimberly is interested in the transience of items and how they change form over time. Just as history and people change over time. She uses texture to mimic asbestos which was used in many buildings in the past. Sometimes history may be hard to look at as there is pain in those stories. History can be ugly and painful just as her abstracts can be ugly and hard to look at, she mirrors these painful moments in history with the resilience of the present.

Kimberly was born on the Walker River Paiute reservation of Schurz Nevada. She studied Creative Writing at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico. She then studied Photography at the San Francisco Art Institute. Creative Writing is where Kimberly learned how to really understand imagery, juxtaposition and depth that challenge perspective. She learned how to paint with words and how to tell stories with imagery. Kimberly likes to challenge the traditional parameters of presentation. Avanna gleans the desert landscape looking for items she can use in her mixed media paintings. She is interested in the transience of relics of the past. She sees beauty in rust and old weathered paint on curled up weathered lumber. **Cloudscapes** – In "Cloudscapes," I explore the beauty and transient nature of clouds. Through my art, I capture the fleeting shapes and forms of clouds, reflecting on the temporary moments in our lives.

My work includes acrylic paintings that focus on the diverse textures and patterns of clouds. I use light and shadow to bring out their ephemeral quality, inviting viewers to appreciate the everchanging sky above us.

This show is a celebration of the natural world's simple beauty and a reminder to cherish each passing moment. I hope "Cloudscapes" inspires everyone to look up and find wonder in the clouds.

Judge rejects environmental groups' claims challenging lithium extraction in Imperial Valley

"Imperial County's plans to allow companies to mine lithium from the drying Salton Sea do not violate California's environmental quality rules despite the concerns of local environmental justice groups, a superior court judge ruled. The Comite Civico Del Valle, a nonprofit environmental justice group based in Imperial County, took issue with an environmental impact reports' analysis of air quality impacts of the proposed lithium mining. "It is unclear how such impacts could be analyzed in a more meaningful way, and petitioner does not suggest a method of doing so," Imperial County Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Jones wrote in a tentative decision Thursday. "A trail of analysis with numerous 'if/then' forks controlled by uncertain, if not random, events (which might or might not occur in the future) can be done, but will almost certainly lead to endpoints that are speculative. The EIR adequately addresses non-speculative air quality impacts," Jones added. ... " Read more from the Courthouse News Service.

Forecast: Colorado River flow to Lake Powell will only reach 81% of normal in 2025

"An early season forecast indicates Lake Powell will get only about 81% of its normal water flow because of dry conditions around much of the Upper Colorado River Basin. Officials emphasized that forecasts this early can be inaccurate, and they represent the "most probable" conditions identified by the Colorado Basin River Forecast Center (CBRFC), part of the National Weather Service. The forecast was based on data collected up until Jan. 1. Lake Powell, the nation's second-largest reservoir, is currently 37% full, according to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. Water released from the lake through Glen Canyon Dam flows down the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon to Lake Mead, the nation's largest reservoir. Lake Mead is currently 34% full. ... "<u>Read more from KLAS</u>.

On January 12, 1777 Padre Thomas Peña, under the direction of Padre Junipero Serra, officially founded Mission Santa Clara de Asis, the eighth of California's twenty-one missions. <u>Continue reading</u>.

GrantStationNational OpportunitiesGrants Promote Educational Equity in the United States

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Through the 1954 Project initiative, CAFE Group awards \$1 million unrestricted grants to leaders and their organizations advancing educational equity for Black students and communities in the United States.

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#### Support Enhances the Disability Services Workforce

The Enterline Foundation aims to increase access to services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the United States.

#### **Capital Projects of Historic Houses of Worship Funded**

The National Fund for Sacred Places, a program of Partners for Sacred Places in collaboration with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, offers financial and technical support to community-serving historic houses of worship across the United States.

#### **Grants Facilitate Veterinary Care for Pets**

The Banfield Foundation supports animal welfare organizations working to provide veterinary care, shelter, and disaster relief to pets in need in the United States.

#### **Regional Opportunities**

#### Funds Strengthen Bank Communities in the Midwest, South, and Texas

The Regions Bank Community Engagement Program provides support to nonprofit organizations in communities served by Regions, including locations across the South, Midwest, and Texas.

#### **Programs Benefiting the Disadvantaged Supported in New Jersey**

The mission of the Robert & Joan Dircks Foundation is to support nonprofit organizations that enrich and improve the quality of life for individuals primarily located in the New Jersey area.

#### **Grants Advance South Carolina Healthcare Initiatives**

The BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Foundation supports projects that aim to promote the health of South Carolinians and to increase access to healthcare for the economically disadvantaged.

#### Efforts Improving Oregon Communities Funded

The Reser Family Foundation aims to improve and strengthen communities throughout Oregon. **Federal Opportunities** 

#### **Program Supports Capacity of Women's Healthcare Providers**

The purpose of the National Women's Mental Health and Substance Use Technical Assistance program is to enhance the capacity of healthcare providers serving women across the nation.

#### Funds Available for Youth Environmental Experiences

The Bringing Youth Outdoors Together and Environmental Steward Program focuses on youth development, recreation, service, social and environmental responsibility, and healthy living.

**The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation** supports nonprofit organizations in communities served by Food Lion stores, including Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. Grants are available to hunger relief organizations operating within a 20-mile radius of a Food Lion store. Learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.



The AARP® Purpose Prize® award is a national award in the United States that celebrates people 50 and older who are using their life experience to make a difference. Through the Purpose Prize award, AARP celebrates the creativity, innovation, and inspiration that life experience brings.

Please read the <u>Official Rules</u> and <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> before applying. A sample application can be downloaded <u>here</u>. All applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. ET on February 28, 2025. Late applications will not be accepted.

#### **CLICK HERE TO APPLY FOR THE AARP PURPOSE PRIZE AWARD**

NO PURCHASE OR PAYMENT NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. A PURCHASE OR PAYMENT WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING.

AARP will host virtual office hours to address questions about the application. Sign up for a webinar on January 15 (10:30 a.m. ET) or February 12 (4 p.m. ET).

Experiencing technical difficulties? Please email purposeprize@aarp.org.

#### **Printable Flyer:** <u>Tribal Clean Energy Funding Opportunities</u>

- Energy Improvements in Rural or Remote Areas
- Transmission Acceleration Grants Program
- Tribal Clean Energy Planning and Development—2025

### Energy Improvements in Rural or Remote Areas FY24 \$400 million Concept papers due Feb. 27, 2025.

This funding opportunity will include federal awards from \$2 million to \$50 million to help communities lead in developing tailored clean energy projects best suited for their unique needs.

Eligible projects must address at least one of the following:

- Improving overall cost-effectiveness of energy generation, transmission, or distribution systems; siting or upgrading transmission and distribution lines
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from energy generation in rural or remote areas
- Providing or modernizing electric generation facilities
- Developing microgrids
- Increasing energy efficiency.

Transmission Acceleration Grants Program\$10 million Apply by Jan. 21, 2025.This program will support state and Tribal efforts to accelerate and improve transmission siting<br/>and permitting and strengthen transmission planning for critical transmission lines (100 kV or<br/>greater) in any area of the country. Eligible participants are state or Tribal entities or entities<br/>working with them, such as regional transmission planning organizations, regional-state<br/>committees, or not-for-profit organizations.

#### Tribal Clean Energy Planning and Development-2025

#### \$25 million Applications due Jan. 23, 2025.

Under this funding opportunity announcement (FOA), the Office of Indian Energy is soliciting applications from Indian Tribes, which include Alaska Native Regional corporations and Village corporations, intertribal organizations, and Tribal energy development organizations, to:

- 1. Conduct clean energy planning
- 2. Comprehensively assess the feasibility and viability of deploying clean energy technology
- 3. Conduct clean energy design and development activities.

DOE expects to make approximately \$25 million of federal funding available under this FOA, with approximately 20–40 awards that range from \$100,000 to \$2,500,000.

- Download the <u>FOA (DE-FOA-0003401)</u> to learn more and apply.
- View the FOA webinar recording and slides for more information
- Download the <u>fact sheet</u>.

#### **NEW** The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT's) Build America Bureau

**(Bureau)** released a <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)</u> for the Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program, created by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. The NOFO offers \$27 million in technical assistance grants to rural and tribal communities for the planning and design phase development of transportation projects. There is no local funding match required to participate in this program. The Bureau designated up to \$10 million for Tribal applicants.

Grants are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to eligible applicants with an eligible project who meet the merit criteria described in the Notice of Funding Opportunity. The application form to apply for Program funding will be available beginning at 2:00 p.m. ET on March 4, 2025 on the Program's webpage: <u>https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/</u> RuralandTribalGrants. Read the full announcement <u>here</u>.

#### White House Technical Assistance Guide

The White House recently released a new <u>technical assistance guide</u> that simplifies access to infrastructure, climate resilience, and clean energy funding for Tribes, states, local jurisdictions, and other communities. The guide provides comprehensive information about more than 100 federal technical assistance programs that can support efforts to win federal funding and deploy it in communities across the nation.

# HUD Deploys Funding Navigator to Connect Program Participants, including Tribes and TDHEs, to Billions of Dollars in Federal Funding and Tax Credits to Improve Carbon Reduction and Climate Resilience

HUD deployed the <u>Funding Navigator</u>, an interactive tool that allows the user to browse and sort funding opportunities for billions of dollars in funding available under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). Tribes and TDHEs will be able to focus their search for funding available to federally recognized Tribes. In addition, Tribes can find existing technical assistance resources for climate resiliency, energy efficiency, renewable energy, and environmental justice at <u>Build</u>

<u>for The Future</u> and <u>ONAP's Tribal Climate Resilience and Adaptation</u>. The White House released an <u>updated technical assistance guide</u> that focuses on federal and state technical assistance programs aimed at accessing and deploying Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and Inflation Reduction Act funding. This new guide highlights programs that help communities navigate programs and resources that can help them deliver infrastructure, clean energy, and climate resilience projects.

#### DOE Offers Tribes \$225 Million in Rebates for Home Electrification and Appliances

The U.S. Department of Energy has released application guidelines for tribal governments to apply for \$225 million in funding under the Inflation Reduction Act's Home Electrification and Appliance Rebate (HEAR) program. HEAR funds will provide rebates to low- and moderate-income households installing efficient electric technologies. Rebates for home electrification upgrades range from \$840 to \$14,000 per household. Rebate amounts vary depending on a household's income, the total project cost, and the technologies installed. Multifamily and single-family buildings, including manufactured housing, may be eligible for rebates. Eligible households may be owner-occupied or rented. Once DOE has approved a tribe's HEAR application, the tribe may launch its program and begin issuing rebates. Tribal officials can review the published guidance in DOE's new <u>Administrative and Legal Requirements Document</u>. DOE has also released the final funding amounts individual tribes will receive after DOE approves their applications, as well as an <u>explanation of how it allocated the funds</u>.

Tribal government stakeholders with questions about the requirements and related documentation should contact DOE at <u>irahomerebates@hq.doe.gov</u>.

**HUD Imminent Threat Grants** – Set aside of the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) allocation for non-competitive, first come-first serve grants to eliminate or lessen problems which pose an imminent threat to public health or safety of Tribal residents. **Application Deadline: Ongoing** and may be submitted at any time.

#### **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund**

**Climate United Next Program: Pre-development grants of up to \$300,000** will be awarded over the course of multiple application rounds.

Climate United will solicit applications for funding in each cycle by sector starting this Fall with projects focused on benefiting Native communities and intends to provide up to \$30M in grant funding over the next five years to equip small- and mid-sized organizations to unlock public and private capital for climate projects.

<u>The first round</u> of Climate United NEXT grants will support clean energy projects in <u>Native communities</u> and will be open to non-profit organizations, state and local government entities, Indian tribes, and Institutions of Higher Education (IHE).

The <u>deadline to apply</u> for the first round of Climate United NEXT grants has been extended to January 24, 2025, with awards announcements planned for late February.Frequently Asked Questions link- <u>here.</u> More information Linked here - <u>Climate United NEXT Program</u>

#### Scholarship Applications Close This Week!

If you have never attended the **AAM Annual Meeting & MuseumExpo** due to financial constraints, now is the time to apply for an **AAM 2025 scholarship**!

Scholarships are available to museum professionals and US-based students who would otherwise be unable to attend AAM 2025 without financial assistance. The program provides complimentary registration, housing, and a travel stipend. **Applications are due this Friday**, **January 17.** 

Mexico to Replace 16 Million Tonnes of GM Corn With Native Varieties & Ban the Toxic Herbicide Glyphosate



#### Classic Literature ·

#### Umberto Eco, who owned 50,000 books, had this to say about home libraries:

"It is foolish to think that you have to read all the books you buy, as it is foolish to criticize those who buy more books than they will ever be able to read. It would be like saying that you should use all the cutlery or glasses or screwdrivers or drill bits you bought before buying new ones.

"There are things in life that we need to always have plenty of supplies, even if we will only use a small portion.

"If, for example, we consider books as medicine, we understand that it is good to have many at home rather than a few: when you want to feel better, then you go to the 'medicine closet' and choose a book. Not a random one, but the right book for that moment. That's why you should always have a nutrition choice!

"Those who buy only one book, read only that one and then get rid of it. They simply apply the consumer mentality to books, that is, they consider them a consumer product, a good. Those who love books know that a book is anything but a commodity."



Whew! I don't even have 1,000

| <b>Scholarships</b> | (A-R) | with February | y 28 Deadline |
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| AATCC Foundation Scholarships                                      | \$8,000              | February 28, 2025 |
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| Action for Nature International Young Eco-Hero Award               | \$500                | February 28, 2025 |
| AFSCME Union Scholars Program Summer Internship                    | \$10,80              | February 28, 2025 |
| AGCVA Scholarships                                                 | \$14,00              | February 28, 2025 |
| American Airlines Education Foundation Scholarship                 | \$2,500              | February 28, 2025 |
| AMS Scholarship for Underserved Communities                        | \$6,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| Ardell Bjugstad Scholarship                                        | Varies               | February 28, 2025 |
| B. Bradford Barnes Memorial Scholarship                            | Full-<br>Tuitio<br>n | February 28, 2025 |
| Bluegrass Indo-American Civic Society Scholarship                  | \$1,500              | February 28, 2025 |
| Bucks County Roadrunners Great Strides Scholarship                 | \$2,500              | February 28, 2025 |
| Cancer Pathways Teen Writing Contest                               | \$1,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| Carolina Panthers Graduate Scholarship                             | Varies               | February 28, 2025 |
| Charles L. Hebner Memorial Scholarship                             | \$5,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| CollegeCounts Scholarship Program                                  | \$4,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| Community Choice Foundation Scholarship Program                    | \$5,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| Dr. James L. and Evelyn Ribbs Hutchinson Medical Scholarship       | \$2,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| Emerson Memorial Scholarship                                       | \$1,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| FCI Agriculture Scholarship Program                                | \$2,500              | February 28, 2025 |
| Federation of Houston Professional Women Educational<br>Foundation | \$2,500              | February 28, 2025 |
| Feeding Tomorrow Scholarships                                      | \$5,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| Frances Sylvia Zverina Scholarship                                 | \$7,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| Fred S. Bailey Scholarship                                         | \$6,000              | February 28, 2025 |
| Friends of 440 Scholarship Fund, Inc.                              | Varies               | February 28, 2025 |
| Gerber Foundation Medallion Scholarship                            | \$11,50              | February 28, 2025 |
| Gerber Foundation Merit Scholarship                                | \$5,750              | February 28, 2025 |
| HAHPERD Student Scholarship                                        | \$1,250              | February 28, 2025 |
| Hawai'i Community Foundation Scholarships                          | Varies               | February 28, 2025 |
| <u>Herman M. Holloway, Sr. Memorial Scholarship</u>                | Full-<br>Tuitio<br>n | February 28, 2025 |
| ICSC Foundation Graduate Scholarships                              | \$10,00              | February 28, 2025 |

| ICSC Scholarships                                      | \$10,00 February 28, 2025 |
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| IIASD Serving Others Scholarship                       | \$10,00 February 28, 2025 |
| Indian Health Service Scholarships                     | Varies February 28, 2025  |
| James B. Morris Scholarship                            | \$2,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Jared Sekich Scholarship                               | \$2,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Kappa Alpha Theta Scholarships                         | Varies February 28, 2025  |
| Keep Your Chin Up Scholarship Fund                     | \$5,000 February 28, 2025 |
| LAGRANT Foundation Graduate Scholarships               | \$3,750 February 28, 2025 |
| LAGRANT Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships          | \$2,500 February 28, 2025 |
| Lantos Foundation Activist Artist Scholarship          | \$5,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Lexington Community Foundation Scholarships            | \$6,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Mary E. Bivins Foundation Scholarships                 | \$10,00 February 28, 2025 |
| Millie Brothers CODA International Scholarship         | Varies February 28, 2025  |
| Minnesota Masonic Charities Heritage Scholarship       | \$12,00 February 28, 2025 |
| Minnesota Masonic Charities Student Scholarships       | \$24,00 February 28, 2025 |
| Minnesota Masonic Charities Undergraduate Scholarships | \$3,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Minnesota Masonic Charities Vocational Scholarship     | \$5,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Minnesota Waste Wise Foundation Scholarship            | \$10,00 February 28, 2025 |
| Nat Moore Scholarship                                  | \$10,00 February 28, 2025 |
| NAWIC Construction Trades Scholarship                  | Varies February 28, 2025  |
| NAWIC Undergraduate Scholarship                        | Varies February 28, 2025  |
| NCBFAA Annual Scholarship Opportunity                  | \$5,000 February 28, 2025 |
| NCNSFPE Brady-Williamson Scholarship                   | \$3,500 February 28, 2025 |
| New York State Scholarships for Academic Excellence    | \$1,500 February 28, 2025 |
| NYWEA N.G. Kaul Memorial Scholarship                   | \$5,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Offline Mode Scholarship                               | \$1,500 February 28, 2025 |
| PAVE Essay Contest and Scholarship Program             | \$3,500 February 28, 2025 |
| Red Thread Foundation Scholarship                      | \$1,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Robert E. Martin Collegiate Scholarship                | \$5,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Ron Collier Educational Scholarship                    | \$5,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Rosa L. Parks Scholarship                              | \$2,000 February 28, 2025 |
| Ruff Ryders of Raleigh Scholarship Giveaway            | \$1,000 February 28, 2025 |



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https://getpocket.com/explore/item/some-of-europe-s-oldest-known-modern-humans-aredistantly-related-to-native-americans?utm\_source=firefox-newtab-en-us

# How Do Igloos Keep People Warm?Learn the science behind this ingenius example of Arctic architecture.

By<u>CaLea Johnson</u>lJan 7, 2025 https://www.mentalfloss.com/how-igloos-stay-warm?utm\_placement=newsletter



Here's how people are able to stay warm in igloos. | Stuart Westmorland/GettyImage *Remember when WCSD taught fourth graders how to make an igloo?* 

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- Supreme Court rejects Utah's push to wrest control of public land from the federal government
- Supreme Court upholds a North Dakota state House district on an American Indian reservation