

PLAINS ART MUSEUM

Plains Art Museum Announces Northern Plains Summer Art Institute 2022

Press Release

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Fargo, N.D. – It's back! Plains Art Museum, in conjunction with Circle of Nations School, is thrilled to announce the 2022 session for the Northern Plains Summer Art Institute (NPSAI22) from June 12 – 24, 2022.

Entering its third year, NPSAI22 is a two-week intensive art program for Native American high school students seeking an art education that mixes fundamentals in art and a connection to their cultural identity. Students will spend two weeks with their peers learning from active Native American professionals in multiple disciplines of the art world. Due to the generosity of the Creativity Among Native American Artists, the program is free for all who attend and will include housing, meals, coursework, and all art supplies. Circle of Nations is a drug and alcohol-free campus, therefore the use of drugs and/or alcohol by NPSAI22 students is prohibited.

The majority of classroom instruction will take place at Circle of Nations School with daily lessons, including a fundamental drawing course and a history lesson on Native American Art. The two-week experience will incorporate additional art-based instruction and include a day trip to Plains Art Museum.

Eligible candidates for NPSAI22 are students entering the 10th -12th or college in the fall of 2022, are dedicated to pursuing the visual arts, and are interested in their Native American culture. Students will be selected based on a submitted portfolio of their artwork, one letter of reference, and a signed guardian permission form. Applications are due by midnight May 1, 2022. Students will be notified about their acceptance by Friday, May 6, 2022.

For more information about NPSAI or to apply to participate, please visit <https://plainsart.org/native-american-artists/northern-plains-summer-art-institute> or contact Director of Native American Programs, Joseph Williams at jwilliams@plainsart.org.

Plains Art Museum is the largest art museum in the Dakotas and Western Minnesota. It is general admission free and educationally-focused thanks to strong and growing support from over 800 households and businesses. The Museum manages a permanent collection of over 4,000 objects, organizes and presents dozens of annual exhibitions, facilitates public art projects, and leads over 200 educational programs and experiences for all ages each year. The Museum, and its Katherine Kilbourne Burgum Center for Creativity, are located at 704 First Avenue North in downtown Fargo. For more information about visiting or supporting your art museum, visit plainsart.org.

Circle of Nations School is an inter-tribal off-reservation boarding school, chartered under the Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota Oyate and funded by the Bureau of Indian Education. Circle of Nations School serves American Indian youth in grades 4 through 8.



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