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NATIVE TREASURES ANNOUNCES 2013 ARTISTS AND TRAVEL DISCOUNTS

Santa Fe, N.M. – *Native Treasures: Indian Art Festival* has become one of the most important Indian art shows in the U.S. since its inception in 2005. More than 200 museum-quality artists from over 40 tribes and pueblos will showcase and sell their pottery, jewelry, glass, painting, sculpture, carvings, textiles and other art, Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26 at the Santa Fe Convention Center. Sandia Shuttle and the Inn at Loretto are offering special Native Treasures discounts to people traveling to Santa Fe in support of the festival.



Ring by
Robin Waynee

The show's organizers work year-round scouting and recruiting new talent each year. New and top artists this year include 2013 *Native Treasures* featured artist Tammy Garcia, Robin Waynee, DY Begay, Autumn Borts-Medlock, Les Namingha, Dominique Toya, Keri Ataumbi, Ernest & Veronica Benally, Maria Samora, Roxanne Swentzell (2011 Featured Artist), Ed Archie NoiseCat, Nocona Burgess, Yellowman, Charlene Holy Bear, Mona Laughing, and Robert Tenorio.

"Robin Waynee's work is contemporary, exquisitely crafted and inspirational to wear," says Karen Freeman, co-chair of Native Treasures. "She has won numerous awards at Indian Market and was the first Native American to capture the Grand Prize at the 2012 Saul Bell Design Award, the 'Oscar' of international jewelry awards. We are thrilled to welcome Robin and all of the amazing talent we will have at the 2013 Native Treasures show. Their participation will make the show even more special for Native Treasures attendees."

Proceeds from *Native Treasures* provide the primary funding for exhibits at Museum of Indian Arts & Culture (MIAC). While the museum receives N.M. state funds for operating expenses, all exhibit funding must be raised privately. Artists generously donate a portion of their sales to MIAC.

Friday Night Benefit

The 2013 recipient of the *Native Treasures Living Treasure Award*, noted potter and sculptor, Tammy Garcia (Santa Clara Pueblo), will be presented with the award at the Friday night benefit Friday, May 24, from 5:30-7:30 p.m., at the Santa Fe Convention Center. Each year, the award for the Living Treasure artist is an original piece of art made and presented by the previous year's Living Treasure honoree. Last year's award recipient was Diné painter Tony Abeyta.

Guests have the opportunity to mingle with many of the *Native Treasures* artists at this event. This year's theme is rain. Artists are encouraged to create special rain-inspired pieces for sale Friday night. Hors d'oeuvres, wine and champagne will be served. Tickets: \$100 (Includes Early Bird ticket for Saturday morning.) For tickets, go to www.ticketssantafe.org.

Breakfast with Tammy Garcia

Wednesday, May 22, 9-11 a.m

Continuing a tradition begun three years ago, Garcia will speak at "Breakfast with Tammy" The breakfast at the Museum Hill Café and presentation at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture are an opportunity for attendees to walk through a small exhibit of Garcia's work with her, hear her speak about her art, and

to ask questions. Cost: \$40.

Tickets: www.ticketssantafe.org

NATIVE TREASURES: INDIAN ARTS FESTIVAL

WHAT: Native Treasures, now in its 9th year, is an invitational art show and sale featuring the best Native art in the U.S. Proceeds provide exhibition funding for the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture.

Featuring:

- More than 200 museum-quality artists from over 40 tribes and pueblos
- Best and brightest of the Indian art world

WHEN: Saturday, May 25 & Sunday, May 26, 2013

Saturday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Cost: \$10; Sunday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Cost: Free

Early Birds Saturday 9-10 a.m. Cost: \$20. Festival tickets available at entrance.

Friday, May 24, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Benefit pre-sale party, offering rain-themed pieces created by artists just for this evening
2013 MIAC Living Treasure will be honored with a gift from the 2012 MIAC Living Treasure, Tony Abeyta

Attendees will meet and mingle with the artists

Hors d'oeuvres and wine/champagne will be served

Cost: \$100 (includes an Early Bird ticket for Saturday)

Tickets: www.ticketssantafe.org, 505-988-1234, or visit the Lensic Box Office

WHERE: Santa Fe Convention Center, at the corner of Marcy and Grant Streets; Santa Fe, New Mexico

Wednesday, May 22, 9 – 11 a.m. “BREAKFAST WITH TAMMY”

Breakfast at Museum Hill Cafe, followed by an exhibit walk-through and discussion with 2013 MIAC Living Treasure artist, Tammy Garcia (Santa Clara) at the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture. Cost: \$40; Tickets: www.ticketssantafe.org, 505-988-1234, or visit the Lensic Box Office.

AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION: The Sandia Shuttle Express is offering a discounted rate of \$20 one-way, \$40 round-trip (vs. \$24 one-way and \$48 round-trip)! Call 888-775-5696 for reservations and be sure to mention Native Treasures. Native Treasures travelers should call to get the discount. It is not available online.

LODGING: The Inn and Spa at Loretto has created a special 25% rate for Native Treasures. In addition to the deep discount give each guest will receive an Early Bird ticket to the show. Please go to “Stay/Eat” (on the bottom of the home page) to get details and book your room. The Inn and Spa at Loretto is an easy walk to the Santa Fe Convention Center.

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