

The NATIVE Act and the Smithsonian

National Museum of the American Indian

Sec. 5 – Federal Agencies Compliance

- Support tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations in showcasing their history and culture
- Assist in interpreting connections between Native Americans and the national identify of the US
- Enhance efforts to promote understanding and respect for diverse US cultures
- Ensure that travelers are welcomed in a manner that showcases and respects the diversity of Native American communities

Smithsonian Institution

- Must work with tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, and nonprofits
 - To share collections
 - Conduct joint research and projects with museums
 - Educational organizations
 - Cultural organizations

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- Designated SI museum to implement the NATIVE Act
 - What are we doing to comply with this directive?
 - Strategic Plan
 - Public Programs
 - Exhibitions
 - Collections
 - National Education Initiative
 - Native American Veterans Memorial

Washington, D.C.





Suitland, Maryland



New York, NY

Strategic Plan

- The NMAI has developed a 5 year strategic plan
 - Increase visitorship
 - Host a minimum of 4 seminars/symposia on current topics in Indian country
 - Improve outreach efforts
 - National Education Initiative

Public Programs

- Tribal festivals
- Chocolate Festival
- Hawaiian Festival
- Living Earth Festival
- Day of the Dead
- Art Market

Celebrating Cacao/Chocolate



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Family Fun for All



Kaypi Peru, Beautiful Peru









Cherokee Days



Collections

http://www.nmai.si.edu/explore/collections/

National Education Initiative

http://www.nmai.si.edu/explore/education/

Native American Veterans Memorial

https://nmai.si.edu/nnavm/



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