



NATIVE ARTS AND FILM FESTIVAL
SPOKANE, WA

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One Heart Native Arts and Film Festival Returning to Spokane

October 19-20, 2018, at the Bing Crosby Theater

SPOKANE, WA: The One Heart Festival is pleased to announce its program for the 3rd annual Native arts and film festival at the Bing Crosby Theater.

The One Heart Native Arts and Film Festival today announced its official program selections for the 3rd annual film and arts festival showcasing local and international indigenous artists. One Heart's annual celebration brings together film, music, performance, and visual Native artists to experience the full breadth of creativity in Indigenous arts and culture. The One Heart Native Arts & Film Festival takes place Friday, October 19 through Saturday, October 20, 2018.

The festival is proud to present the following program:

Headlining Performer Buffy Sainte-Marie live in concert at the Bing Crosby Theater. Buffy Saint-Marie (Cree) has been a trailblazer and a tireless advocate of Indigenous rights. The innovative artist will take the Bing Crosby stage in a special solo performance sharing her new song "You Got to Run (Spirit of the Wind)," Along with her recently released new studio album *Medicine Songs*. *Medicine Songs* has been a lifetime in the making and is, perhaps, Sainte-Marie's most powerful gift. Friday, October 19 at 8 p.m. at the Bing Crosby Theater. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with opening acts by Seattle blues group Daisy Chain, and local Nez Perce singer songwriter Julia Keefe starting at 7:00 p.m.

Feature film presentation of "Drunktown's Finest" written and directed by Sydney Freeland at the Bing Crosby Theater. Writer and director Sydney Freeland was born and raised on a Navajo reservation in Gallup, New Mexico—dubbed "Drunktown." The disconnect between her experiences and the media's portrayal of reservation life compelled her to create the Sundance success, *Drunktown's Finest*. Guest Director Sydney Freeland will attend the festival and provide a talk back with the audience following the screening. Saturday, October 20th at 6:30pm at the Bing Crosby Theater.

Special Guest Visual Artist J.NiCole Hatfield (Comanche) has been commissioned by One Heart to create a painting that speaks to the resiliency and strength of Indigenous women as we honor them with this year's festival. Her beautiful art piece entitled "Spokane Girl" will be the face of this year's special edition poster.

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The original will be available for silent auction. J.NiCole will be at the festival to provide a visual arts workshop to the public. This event within the program is free to the public and strongly encourages youth participation. J.NiCole is a Native Oklahoman who draws her inspiration from old historical photographs of proud tribal women. By painting them, she feels she both honors their life and gives them a voice in our contemporary world. The workshop will be held Saturday, October 20 at 10:00 a.m. at the Unfinished Space in downtown Spokane, WA.

Short Films Program will take place at the Bing Crosby Theater on Saturday, October 20 at 2:00 p.m. Showcasing the talents of local, regional, and national filmmakers, the program will screen short films (15 minutes or less). The call for short films is now open and Native filmmakers are encouraged to submit their works throughout the summer. Deadline to submit a short film to the festival is August 31 at midnight (PST). Submissions to the Short Films Program can be made to our website www.oneheartfestival.org

One Heart Art Gallery features works by Native artists from the Inland Northwest and beyond. Media include painting, photography, music, and more. Admission to the gallery is free, and works will be available for purchase. The One Heart Art Gallery will be held at the Unfinished Space. The gallery opens on Indigenous People's Day, October 8, and runs through the rest of the month.

About the One Heart Native Arts and Film Festival

One Heart has distinguished itself as among the leading Indigenous film and arts festivals in the Northwest, and is an annual gathering for Native film, music, and arts professionals in the entertainment and arts field. One Heart is considered a reputable platform for showcasing the works of up-and-coming Native artists and celebrating the works of artistic achievements. The mission of One Heart Native Arts and Film Festival is to share and showcase innovative, compelling, and empowering stories from Native perspectives through film and art, celebrating the diversity and vitality of contemporary Native culture in our community today.

One Heart Native Arts and Film Festival is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization in Spokane, WA.

What: One Heart Native Arts and Film Festival
When: Oct. 19th-20th 2018
Where: Film screenings and workshop: Bing Crosby Theater, 901 W. Sprague Ave.
Art gallery: The Unfinished Space, 165 S. Howard St.

Information and tickets: oneheartfestival.org

The One Heart Native Arts and Film Festival is sponsored by Kauffman & Associates, Inc., Muckleshoot Tribe, Snoqualmie Tribe, Tulalip Tribe, and in special partnership with Friends of the Bing.

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