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Photos are from 2023's Avanyu Nights. Musicians shown are the Levi Platero Band.

For Immediate Release:

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY CELEBRATION TO TAKE PLACE AT AVANYU PLAZA

Albuquerque, NM, September 18, 2024 —The Indian Pueblo Cultural Center (IPCC) is excited to announce its annual celebration of Indigenous Peoples' Day at Avanyu Plaza on Oct. 14 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. This vibrant celebration will include live music, Indigenous and local vendors, and delicious food from local restaurants.

The celebration's live music lineup will consist of local musicians Adrian Wall and Jacob Shije, along with the Levi Platero Band. Limited seating is available, attendees are welcome to bring their own chairs.

A talented musician from Jemez Pueblo, Wall blends Americana and folk with traditional Native flute music. His innovative sound fuses contemporary styles with the deep roots of Indigenous culture.

Shije, a musician from Santa Clara Pueblo, melds the sounds of Ritchie Valens, Buddy Holly, and Roy Orbison. Shije's music transcends genres, creating a unique auditory experience. His performances honor Indigenous heritage while inspiring a vibrant and inclusive future.

Led by Navajo bluesman Levi Platero, the Levi Platero Band delivers a unique blend of Native blues, Texas blues, and vintage rock, combined with modern guitar mastery.

Acoma Cochiti Isleta Jemez

Laguna

Nambé Ohkay Owingeh

Picuris

Pojoaque

Sandia

San Felipe

San Ildefonso

Santa Ana

Santa Clara

Santo Domingo

Taos

Tesuque

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Zuni

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The diverse range of vendors at the event will be offering handmade crafts and artwork, giving visitors the opportunity to get a head start on holiday shopping and discover unique gifts for friends and family. There are currently a limited number of vendor booths still available. Vendors interested in selling at the event may register at indianpueblo.org/avanyu-vendor-registration or by contacting IPCC's Special Projects Manager, Marianne Billy.

Visitors can make their evening complete with dine-in or carry-out options from Avanyu Plaza's restaurants, including 12th Street Tavern, Itality Plant Based Foods, Laguna Burger, 66 Acres, and Rude Boy Cookies.

For more information on this event, please contact Marianne Billy,

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About Avanyu Plaza:

Avanyu Plaza, located on 12th Street just north of I-40 and across from the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, is a business and cultural hub like no other. The property is owned by the 19 Pueblos of New Mexico, and is being transformed into a vibrant new neighborhood, hosting various enterprises including commercial tenants, lodging, retail operations, restaurants, and security operations. Avanyu Plaza's beautiful outdoor area hosts cultural gatherings and outdoor markets designed to attract both locals and visitors. To learn more, please visit www.avanyuplaza.com.

About the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center:

Founded in 1976 by the 19 Pueblo tribes of New Mexico, the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center is a world-class museum and cultural center located in the historic 19 Pueblos District. The Mission of the IPCC Campus is to serve as a gathering place where Pueblo culture is celebrated through creative and cultural experiences while providing economic opportunities to Pueblo and local communities. Visitors can learn fascinating history, shop for Native jewelry and art, watch a cultural dance, hear Native languages and experience the flavors of traditional and contemporary Native cuisine. To learn more, please visit www.indianpueblo.org and www.facebook.com/IndianPueblo.

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