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For Immediate Release:

## AMERICAN INDIAN WEEK AT IPCC KICKS OFF WITH OVER 50 VENDORS AT SPRING ARTS MARKET

*Albuquerque, NM (April 9, 2024)* — Prepare to be swept away on a journey of culture, art, and tradition as the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center proudly presents the highly anticipated American Indian Week, from April 20th through April 28th!

Prepare for an unforgettable kickoff as we launch into festivities with the electrifying Spring Arts Market on Saturday, April 20th, and Sunday, April 21st!

During Spring Arts market our enchanting courtyard is transformed into a bustling marketplace teeming with the vibrant energy of Indigenous arts and culture. Explore over 50 unique artist booths offering exquisite pottery, mesmerizing jewelry, captivating paintings, and more, each piece a testament to centuries of artistic innovation. Interact with these talented artists, forge connections and create memories as you explore their exquisite work. With dozens of artists available for direct purchase, American Indian Week promises an immersive shopping experience like no other.

But that's just the beginning of this iconic week-long celebration. Prepare to embark on a journey of discovery as Cultural Dance Performances take center stage several times daily, offering a captivating glimpse into Indigenous cultures with dance groups including The Cellicion Traditional Dance Group and Kallestewa Dance Group from Zuni Pueblo, the Tlacayolt and Kaltonaka Aztec dance groups, White Mountain Apache Crown Dancers, Sky City Buffalo Ram Dancers from Acoma, and Ryedale Largo & Diné / Mescalero Apache Dance Group.

Plan to immerse yourself in the IPCC for the day, or perhaps even two. Embark on a self-guided tour of our captivating exhibitions, savor a true taste of New Mexico at the Indian Pueblo Kitchen, and indulge in a bout of retail therapy at the Indian Pueblo Store or daily courtyard vendor market, where treasures await at every turn.

Prepare for the grand finale on April 28th as we host our first-ever Round Dance, uniting communities through songs brimming with love, loss, and humor. Join us as the Northern Cree, Cree Confederation, and Black Eagle drum groups, along with award-winning singer Fawn Wood, fill the air with the soul-stirring sounds of Indigenous culture. Plus, don't miss your chance to meet the newly crowned Miss Indian World.

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Best of all, admission is free for museum members or with regular admission, ensuring that everyone can experience the magic of American Indian Week!

Don't miss out on this extraordinary week-long celebration of culture, art, and community! For additional information and tickets, visit<u>https://indianpueblo.org/events</u> and prepare to embark on an unforgettable journey of discovery and wonder!

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## 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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