



Idaho State Museum
Tribal Partnership Highlights

Since October 2014, the Idaho State Historical Society has worked formally in partnership with Idaho's five tribes to co-create accurate and respectful tribal content in the new state history museum.

2014 Idaho State Historical Society was invited to present an overview of the Museum at the annual Chairman Summit meeting; each tribe agreed to assign a formal liaison to the project.

The tribal liaisons and State Historical Society staff have continuously worked together through discussions, e-mail, teleconferences, and personal meetings to create tribal exhibition stories.

2015 Director Janet Gallimore, Executive Director and Keith Petersen, State Historian met personally with tribal representatives in each of their respective homelands.

Director Janet Gallimore presented a project overview to the Idaho Council on Indian Affairs.

Several tribal representatives participated in the Idaho State Historical Society's outreach community engagement presentations held statewide.

2016 Director Janet Gallimore briefed the Idaho Indian Education Committee on the Museum project.

Members of all five tribes participated in a day long exhibit review to discuss final designs, collections, education programs and related activities including the museums groundbreaking.

Chairman Mary Jane Miles of the Nez Perce and Chairman Lindsey Manning of the Shoshone Paiute provided tribal leadership at the June 2016 groundbreaking and ground blessing of the new Idaho State Historical Museum, with commentary by Chairman Manning and blessing by Chairman Miles.

All tribal chairmen wrote letter of support for the August proposal to the National Endowment for the Humanities for support of tribal exhibitions.

Tribal partners, include, but are not limited to the following people; we honor and thank you.

Coeur d'Alene: Chief Allan, Tribal Chairman
Leanne Campbell, CarylDene Swan, Audra Vincent, Cheffrey Sailto

Kootenai: Gary Aitken, Tribal Chairman
Ron Abraham, Clara Dunnington

Nez Perce: Mary Jane Miles, Tribal Chairman
Josiah Pinkham, Nakia Williamson, Mario Battaglia, Rebecca Miles

Shoshone-Bannock: Blaine Edmo, Tribal Chairman
Randy' L Teton, Velda Racehorse, Fred Auck

Shoshone-Paiute: Lindsey Manning, Tribal Chairman
Ted Howard, Sarah S. Manning

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