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Vision Maker Media (VMM) empowers and engages Native People to tell stories

We envision a world changed and healed by understanding Native stories and the public conversations they generate

We invite you to several opportunities to see VMM documentaries and meet the Vision Maker Media Staff. [The Mayors of Shiprock](#) - a group of young Navajo leaders dedicated to helping their New Mexico town. The Northern Diné Youth Committee learns about their Native culture, discuss community improvements, and work to bridge divides within their community. Filmmaker Ramona Emerson (Navajo) and VMM Executive Director Shirley Sneve (Rosebud Sioux) will present at the [National Philanthropy Institute](#) on June 15 at the Hyatt Regency Tamaya Resort & Spa near Albuquerque, New Mexico.

SDPB and Vision Maker Media present a free, public screening of [Ohiyesa: The Soul of An Indian](#), Saturday, June 16, at 6pm, at the [SDPB Sioux Falls Studios](#), 601 N. Phillips Avenue, Suite 100 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Filmed on location in Flandreau, Pine Ridge, Minnesota, and Dartmouth College, the riveting new documentary follows Kate Beane, a young Dakota woman, as she examines the extraordinary life of her celebrated relative, Charles Eastman (Ohiyesa). Biography and journey come together as Kate traces Eastman's path from traditional Dakota boyhood, through education at Dartmouth College, and in later roles as physician, author, lecturer, and Native American advocate. Kate and her father, Executive Producer Syd Beane (Flandreau Santee Sioux) will join Sneve for a panel discussion after the screening.

Sneve will help curate the [2018 Native Pop Film Screenings](#), July 21 in Rapid City, South Dakota. The screenings will be held in partnership with SDPB at their Black Hills Studio, 415 Main Street. The deadline for [film submission](#) is June 18.

Three of VMM's films will be part of the National Museum of the American Indian's [2018 Native Cinema Showcase](#), August 14 - 19, at the New Mexico History Museum Theater, 113 Lincoln Ave., Santa Fe, NM 87501. [Moroni for President](#), [Dawnland](#), and a new animation from [Injunuity](#). Assistant Director Rebekka Schlichting (Ioway Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska) will moderate the panel discussions.



Group photo from the Change Philanthropy Retreat and Puerto Rico Learning Tour.

VMM Executive Director attended on behalf of Native Americans in Philanthropy. On her first day in San Juan, the new Harvard study published in the New England Journal of Medicine estimates that 4,645 deaths can be linked to the hurricane and its immediate aftermath, making the storm far deadlier than previously thought. Official estimates have placed the number of dead at 64.

PBS Kids is Launching a Children's series that features Alaska Native Lead Character

Meet Molly of Denali

Molly of Denali is a "feisty and resourceful" 10-year-old Alaska Native girl. The show, produced by [WGBH](#), follows her daily adventures from building snow forts to delivering a camera to friends on a volcano by dog sled. She also learns valuable life lessons from informational texts and indigenous elders.

The show features Alaska Native producers, scriptwriters, consultants, and voice talent. "The project's Alaska Native advisors worked hard to ensure that our children will get to see our beautiful cultures in a respectful light," Princess Daazhrai Johnson, creator producer of the series, said.



Filmmaker Opportunities

JOBS

[Marketing and Communications Specialist](#)

Nebraska - Open Until Filled

[Fill-In Host/Announcers for OPB Radio](#)

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[Vice President of Digital Publishing](#)

Minnesota - - Open Until Filled

[Director of Operations](#)

Nebraska - Open Until Filled

[Multi-Media Journalist](#)

Nebraska - Open Until Filled

FUNDING

[Firelight Documentary Lab](#)

Deadline: June 12

[Women's Film Preservation Fund](#)

Deadline: June 15

[Southern Documentary Fund Grant](#)

Deadline: June 15

[Chicken & Egg Pictures Accelerator Lab](#)

Deadline: June 25

FELLOWSHIP/INTERNSHIP

[Firelight Documentary Lab](#)

Deadline: June 12

[Eiteljorg Museum](#)

Deadline: July 1

FILM FESTIVALS

[50 Film Festivals Worth the Entry Fee](#)

Deadline: 2018

[International Documentary Festival](#)

[Amsterdam](#)

Deadline: June 13

[2018 Native Pop Film Showcase](#)

Deadline: June 18

[2018 National Native American Ten](#)

[Minute Play Festival](#)

Deadline: June 30

[POV Call for Entries](#)

Deadline: July 15

[LA Skins Film Festival Call for Entries](#)

Deadline: September 10

TRAINING

[Firelight Media Lab](#)

[Journalism 360 Challenge](#)

Deadline: June 28

[Just Films Inquiry](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

[Focus Grant](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

[Documentary Fund](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

Deadline: June 12

[LA Skins Native American Feature Film Writers Lab](#)

Deadline: June 8

[NAJA International Training Conference and Career Fair](#)

Deadline: June 30

Upcoming Film Screenings

Don't miss a chance to see one of our films when it comes to your area. Tell your friends.

[Dawnland](#)

NHdocs: The New Haven Documentary Film Festival
New Haven, Connecticut - June 6

Provincetown Film Festival
Provincetown, Massachusetts - June 14-16

Roxbury International Film Festival
Boston, Massachusetts - June 28

National Council for Juvenile Family Court Judges Conference
Denver, Colorado - July 22

NMAI's 2018 Native Cinema Showcase
August 14

[Keep Talking](#)

Sealaska Heritage Celebration
Juneau, Alaska - June 6

[Lake of Betrayal](#)

Camp Allegany, Allegany State Park
Salamanca, NY - June 9

[Mankiller](#)

Hot Docs
Toronto, Canada - June 9

[Ohiyesa: The Soul of an Indian](#)

SDPB Sioux Falls Studios
Sioux Falls, South Dakota - June 16

[What Was Ours](#)

Huntington Museum of Art
Huntington, West Virginia - June 26

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