

Kick off Native American Heritage Month by Visiting Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country at the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum

Pueblo dancers, music, food trucks, and more will be on Johnson Street at opening celebration on November 7



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE–October 27, 2025–(Santa Fe, NM)—Celebrate Native American Heritage Month at the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum by visiting opening weekend events for the Museum's newest exhibition, *Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country*. This exhibition opens November 7 and showcases the work of 12 contributors from New Mexico's six Tewa pueblos.

Join the First Friday opening celebration on the November 7 for a festive evening with Tewa artists and vendors. Admission to the Museum will be free all day for New Mexican residents and free for everyone from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Tewa-owned food truck, Manko, will be on-site along with the Museum's Art to G.O. Truck, which will have free art activity packs for participants, and a community booth from the Santa Fe New Mexican. Other *Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country* opening celebration activities include:

Beginning at 10:00 AM: Free admission for New Mexico residents

4:00 PM: Free admission for everyone

4:30 PM: Performance by Northern Southern Pueblo Dancers (Ohkay Owingeh)

6:00 PM: Performance by the Jacob Shije Trio (Santa Clara Pueblo)

The opening celebration on the November First Friday is supported by the *Santa Fe New Mexican* as the presenting sponsor and the City of Santa Fe Arts and Culture Department and the 1% Lodgers' Tax.

Can't Make it Friday? Bring the Kids on Sunday!

The Museum will host a very special Family Day on November 9 celebrating *Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country*. Through hands-on artmaking, story time, and cultural exchange, learn more about the past, present, and future of Tewa land and how coming together as a community can preserve the place that has captivated and inspired artists for centuries. Admission is free for family day participants from 10:30 AM to 2:30 PM.

About the Exhibition

Co-curated by Bess Murphy, Luce Curator of Art and Social Practice, and artist Jason Garcia/Okuu Pín (Kha'p'o Owingeh/Santa Clara Pueblo), *Tewa Nangeh* will be on view from November 7, 2025 to September 7, 2026, and features more than 30 newly created works by artists, scholars, and culture bearers from the Nambé, Pojoaque, San Ildefonso, Ohkay Owingeh, Santa Clara, and Tesuque Pueblos. The exhibition opens a critical dialogue around sacred landscapes, Indigenous belonging, and cultural ownership.

All Participating Artists of Tewa Nangeh:

Dr. Joseph Woody Aguilar (San Ildefonso Pueblo)

Samuel Catanach (P'osuwaegeh Owingeh/Pueblo of Pojoaque)

Jason Garcia/Okuu Pín (Kha'p'o Owingeh/Santa Clara Pueblo)

John Garcia Sr. (Kha'p'o Owingeh/Santa Clara Pueblo)

Charine Pilar Gonzales (San Ildefonso Pueblo)

Marita Swazo Hinds (Tesuque Pueblo)

Dr. Matthew Martinez (Ohkay Owingeh)

Arlo Namingha (Ohkay Owingeh, Hopi)

Michael Namingha (Ohkay Owingeh, Hopi)

Eliza Naranjo Morse (Kha'p'o Owingeh/Santa Clara Pueblo)

Martha Romero (Nambé Pueblo)

Randolph Silva (Kha'p'o Owingeh/Santa Clara Pueblo)

Admission for the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum is free for members of Indigenous communities, tribes, and nations for the duration of *Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country*.

Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country is funded through generous support from the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, the National Endowment for the Arts, New Mexico Humanities Council, the Terra Foundation for American Art, and the Henry Luce Foundation.

About Native American Heritage Month

President George H.W. Bush first issued a proclamation naming November as Native American Heritage Month in 1990. According to the <u>Library of Congress</u>, the proclamation recognized Native Americans as the first inhabitants of the lands that now constitute the United States as well as honors their contributions to American society.











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Supplemental information:

Press release, July 15, 2025, <u>Georgia O'Keeffe Museum Announces Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country</u>

Press release, September 2, 2025, <u>Indian Market Brought Awards and Opportunities to "Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country" Curators and Artists</u>

Press release, October 8, 2025, <u>"Tewa Nangeh/Tewa Country" Set to Open at the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum on November 7</u>

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