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Bullock Museum to host 10th Annual American Indian Heritage Day celebration next Friday

Event honors Texas's American Indian groups with performances, activities and resources

SEPTEMBER 22, 2022 (AUSTIN, TX) — The Bullock Texas State History Museum, in partnership with Great Promise for American Indians, will host the 10th Annual American Indian Heritage Day celebration on Friday, September 30. This year's event will feature dancing and drumming performances and interactive experiences for school groups and exhibition visitors onsite at the Museum, as well as a free public evening performance. A virtual livestream and online resources are available for those who wish to celebrate from home or the classroom.

"Without a doubt, American Indian Heritage Day at the Bullock, with the wonderful talents and voices of Great Promise for American Indians, is one of our most popular events of the year," said Margaret Koch, Director of the Bullock Museum. "It's a wonderful opportunity to enjoy and learn from the traditions of different Tribal members living in Texas today, who are so central to understanding our collective heritage passed down through generations."

Led by State Representative Roberto Alonzo Dist. 104 (D-Dallas), members of the Texas State Legislature passed H.B. No. 174 in 2013 to create American Indian Heritage Day, a day that recognizes and honors the history and heritage of American Indians in Texas. Held the last Friday in September each year, the celebration highlights the contributions of American Indian communities to the state with ceremonies, activities and programs.

From 10 am to 2:30 pm, school groups and Museum exhibition visitors can participate in educational activities and view two dancing and drumming performances at 10:30 am and 12 pm. In the evening, the public is invited to explore the *Becoming Texas* exhibition starting at 6 pm, followed by a dancing and drumming performance beginning at 6:30 pm.

For those celebrating from home or the classroom, a livestream of the 12 pm performance will be available on the Bullock Museum's YouTube channel. Additional on-demand resources, including art-making demonstrations,



presentations, pre-recorded performances, and more, are available on the Bullock Museum website.

For more information about American Indian Heritage Day 2022, visit TheStoryofTexas.com.

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ABOUT THE BULLOCK MUSEUM

The Bullock Texas State History Museum, a division of the State Preservation Board and an accredited institution of the American Alliance of Museums, illuminates and celebrates Texas history, people, and culture. With dynamic, award-winning exhibitions, educational programming for all ages, and an IMAX® theater with the largest screen in Texas, the Museum collaborates with more than 700 museums, libraries, archives and individuals across the world to bring the Story of Texas to life.

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