



Art with a Cause

The **Urban Indian 5**, a group of established Native artists, is using their art to help inspire wellness in an unconventional way. The importance of ceremony and cultural tradition are vital elements of Native life. The **UI5** paintings, prints, photographs, baskets and sculptures educate people about a healthier past. The collaboration between modern medicine and ancient teachings interpreted through contemporary art is forging a unique relationship to reestablish a state of physical, emotional and spiritual wellness in indigenous people.

What Others Are Saying

“The art that indigenous artists produce is about strengthening internal dialogues amongst indigenous peoples around the world. It is absolutely much more than something externalized hanging on a wall, and very much about the fundamentals of human well being.”

Sarah de Leeuw, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor,
University of Northern British Columbia
I Said I Would Never Paint This Way
Again documentary

“The different art by the **Urban Indian 5** has just enriched our program, and we have seen personal healing. The spirit of the art being here is so beneficial. I hope the artists can see how much they have helped people just by having the art here.”

D.J. Battiest
Former Behavior Health Specialist
Oklahoma City Indian Clinic
I Said I Would Never Paint This Way
Again documentary



Sponsorship

One of the original goals of the **Urban Indian 5** was to compile a permanent art exhibit with five custom plexiglass prints (one from each artist) and place these 24 x 36 inch works in every health clinic and hospital in Indian Country. The group hopes to partner with Indian clinics, businesses and contributors to make this effort possible.

Project Budget:

For 5 pieces -each 24 X 36 inches
-1/8” plexiglass with museum mounting
-ship to clinic/hospital
-artist explanation plaque
-sponsorship plaque

approximate total \$2000

If interested in a sponsorship or contribution
please contact:

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--1/8” rigid plexiglass
--24” X 36” photo prints
mounted second surface
(behind the piece of plexi)
flush to the edge
--100% of the plexi is used
--Museum mount
(see photo at left)
--Shipped directly to clinic or
hospital

Inspiring Wellness among Native peoples through art



Urban Indian 5

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