

# NATIVE YOUTH PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

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## What is gratitude?

Gratitude involves recognizing that something good has happened to you. It also consists of acknowledging that someone is responsible for it, whether it's a specific person in your life, an impersonal source like nature, or a divine entity. Gratitude is the state of being thankful and appreciative for what one has.

You can be grateful for your ancestors because they're the reason for your culture and language. They make you who you are as an indigenous person. For example, in more recent history, Paiute leaders were able to get our tribe federally recognized after being terminated. This is all thanks to the Paiute Restoration Act. So, during this season remember to practice gratitude.

## Upcoming Events

### Monthly Theme: Gratitude

- **Nov. 4:** Washington County College Fair
- **Nov. 5:** Iron County College Fair
- **Nov. 5:** Title VI: Health Awareness, 6-8 pm, Coral Cliffs PLC, St. George
- **Nov. 11:** Utah Tech Pageant, Blackridger Singers
- **Nov. 19:** Lava Ridge Intermediate School visit.
- **Nov. 21:** Richfield Cultural Night, 6 pm, Richfield High School Auditorium
- **Nov. 28:** Thanksgiving Powwow pageant
- **Nov. 28-29:** Cedar Band Thanksgiving Powwow.

*See full calendar of events at  
[PITU.gov/Native-Youth/](http://PITU.gov/Native-Youth/)*



## Become the next Cedar Band Thanksgiving Powwow Princess

The Cedar Band of Paiutes Thanksgiving Powwow Princess Pageant is now accepting applicants. This pageant is open to all enrolled and descendant Southern Paiute girls, ages 8-17, from the five PITU Bands, as well as Kaibab, Moapa, Las Vegas, and San Juan. For more information or to apply, contact Ranae Pete at 435-868-8391 or peteranae10@gmail.com

We would like to express our thanks to Lydia Fisher who will be giving up her crown and who always attended our youth activities and events. She has done an amazing job representing at various powwows such as the Snow Mountain Powwow and Morongo Thunder and Lightning Powwow. She does a great job sharing her jingle dress dancing and flute playing skills. Thank you Lydia, and may success follow you wherever you go.



## Playwright Program

The Youth Program is teaming up with Mentor Artists - MAPP to bring playwriting and a bit of acting to our community. The Playwright Program is open to all Paiute youth, enrolled and descendants, 10-17 years old. This is a 10-month program that will meet once a month. Most meetings will be through Zoom, but two will be in person. The last day to sign up is Nov. 17.

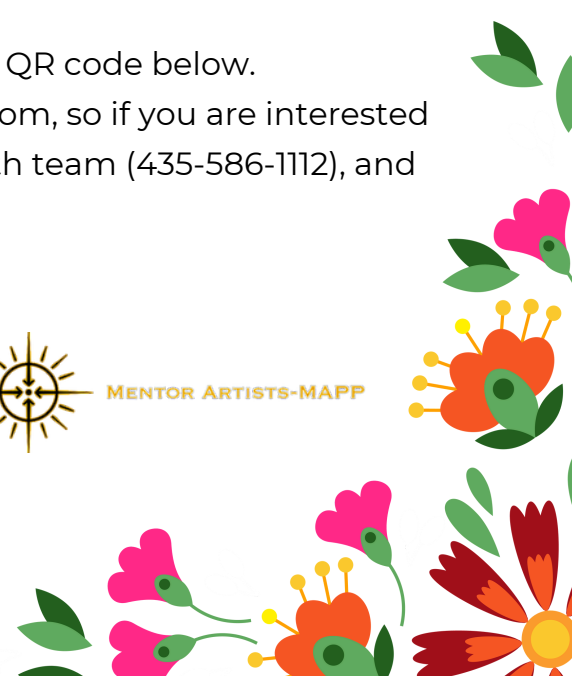
Visit our page on the PITU website to sign up or scan the QR code below.

You will need a personal electronic device to sign into Zoom, so if you are interested and need help with this, reach out to anyone on the Youth team (435-586-1112), and we can help find a solution and get you on the meetings.

**Sign up for the Playwright  
Program here ->**



MENTOR ARTISTS-MAPP





## Happy Native American Heritage Month

November is Native American Heritage Month, when we celebrate our tradition, language, and stories.

On Aug. 3, 1990, President George H. W. Bush declared November as “National American Indian Heritage Month,” now known as “Native American Heritage Month.”

November is the perfect time to share more about your culture with those in your communities. We hope you have a great November and Thanksgiving Break.



## Youth Registration

Please ensure that all Native youth are registered, as it is required for participation in the activities. To register, visit our website at <https://PITU.gov/Native-Youth> or use the QR code below.



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