

Iksisawaato'p Kainaiwa O'tookátákssin: Maana'pii ki niita'piitsitapii saatstakssin | We Visit with Kainaiwa Beadwork: A New Way and the Real Way of Design

Organized by **Hali Heavy Shield, Kalli Eagle Speaker, and Carol Williams**

TRAVELLING EXHIBITION FACT SHEET

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This travelling exhibition features detailed large-scale banners of coloured photographs of traditional Kainai beadwork; historical black and white photographic portraits of Niitsitapi wearing beaded regalia; as well as panels featuring stories of contemporary Kainai beadworkers: **Tanya Wadsworth, Torry Eagle Speaker, Carol Mason, LouAnn Day Chief, and Alexis Bull Bear.**

As the title suggests, the exhibit invites audiences to visit with beadwork in the new way (contemporary) and the real way (historical) of design.

The collective aspiration of organizers Hali Heavy Shield, Kalli Eagle Speaker and Carol Williams was to offer the opportunity to appreciate the historical legacy of Kainai beading and to highlight the value and continuity of beading over time. This exhibit represents a form of a living archive where visitors and other contemporary beadworkers might be inspired by seeing a sample of archival and contemporary Kainaiwai beadwork.

We hope this exhibition will inspire the community to share their own stories of personal or family beadwork as we honour and celebrate Niitsitapi language and culture.





Alexis Bull Bear



LouAnn Day Chief



Torry Eagle Speaker



Carol Mason



Tanya Wadsworth



INSTALLATION PHOTOS: Don Gill



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TARGET AUDIENCE

- Intergenerational family groups
- Teachers in K–12 classrooms

LANGUAGES

- Teachers in K–12 classrooms

FEES AND INSURANCE

- Borrower is responsible for shipping cost and insurance coverage

EXHIBITION CONTENTS

- **(21) Vinyl banners with grommets:** intro and acknowledgment panel, historical and contemporary photographs, contemporary beadwork artist profiles, 76 cm x 101 cm (30" x 40")
- **(3) vinyl banners with grommets:** colour powwow photos, 61 cm x 91 cm (24" x 36")
- **(1) USB drive:** [optional video files of exhibition organizers speaking about project](#) (runtime 19:28)

SHIPPING AND INSTALLATION

- **(3) tubes** 96 cm (38")
- Multiple configurations possible
- Set-up: Allow approximately 6 hours for installation; two people required



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