

National Indigenous Youth Fashion Show

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Amelia (Mills) Bailey

Amelia (Mills) Bailey (Meskwaki/Dakota) will be a 7th grader in the Fall and lives in Minneapolis, Mn. Mills wants to be in the WNBA when she grows up and a 911 dispatcher to save lives. Her favorite thing about school is English-Language Arts. In the summer, Mills likes to go to powwows and fancy dance when the basketball season is over.



Ayden (Cepa) Bailey

Ayden (Cepa) Bailey (Meskwaki/Dakota) will be a 6th grader in the Fall and lives in Minneapolis, Mn. Cepa wants to be a basketball player when he grows up and hopes to play for the Lakers, Warriors, Mavericks, or the Suns. Cepa's favorite subject at school is social studies. Cepa loves hanging out with his basketball team.



Jennifer Cortes

My name is Jennifer Cortes. I am 19, enrolled in Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and I'm part Mexican. I have been in indigenous people task force since I was 12 years old. I'm a beader and sewer and make my very own creations from earrings to clothing and am starting a business for it! I love doing other forms of art such as writing, singing, spoken word, dance, theater, drawing, and so many other things!



Aydrian James Day

Aydrian James Day is a 13 year old bead working artist and powwow dancer who dances both Grass Dance and Woodland styles. Aydrian is from the Ojibwe, Odawa, Potawatomi, Lakota and Ho Chunk Nations. Aydrian has been beading officially since we was about 4 years of age when he beaded his mom a dancing Barrett. Since then, Aydrian has enjoyed sharing at American Art Markets and powwows



Michael Perez

Hello my name is Michael I'm 12 from Leech Lake and Guatemala I have 5 siblings I'm 4'11. It's important to learn about my culture, because I want to keep it alive and it's fun and intriguing. What I like about Ikidowin is that we get to travel places and I learn more acting skills, a goal for my future is that I want to be a doctor, and rich and I want to have a lot of stamina.



Jazzie St. Germaine

Hi I'm Jazzie. I like being outside and long car rides at night. I also really like swimming and music. I love sunsets and I like the night more than the day. I really like spending time with friends and family.



Nalia Segura

Nalia Segura, is an Ojibwe-Latinx Actor. she has performed on many stages as an ensemble member of Ikidowin Youth Theater, including The Guthrie Theater for (Stories Of The Drum), Illusion Theater for (Everything is a circle) and The Pangea World Theater for (The Missouri River water walk). She is a dancer with Kalpulli Yaocenoxtli a Mexica dance group located in Saint Paul. She is also singer, she has sang/acted in a film directed by Jane Ramseyer Miller and was a part of the choir with Tanya Tagaq at The Ordway Concert Hall.



Kaholo Toves

Kaholo Toves (Hidatsa/Assiniboine/Chamorro) is entering his Junior Year at Dickinson State University. He is majoring in Exercise Science. He runs Indoor and Outdoor Track for the Dickinson State University Blue Hawks. In his free time, he loves to go to the Wellness Center and lift weights.



Kailayla Villaluz

Kailayla Villaluz (Hidatsa/Assiniboine/Chamorro/Filipina) is entering her Freshman Year in High School. She wants to be a Marine Biologist when she grows up. Her favorite subjects are science, history, and English. She is also an aspiring filmmaker. Her silent film boxes were selected to be screened at the Yellowstone Silent Film Festival.



Kayeiko Villaluz

Kayeiko Villaluz (Hidatsa/Assiniboine/Chamorro/Filipino) is going to be in 7th grade. He wants to run track or play basketball professionally when he grows up. His favorite subject is math. He loves to hang out with his friends and ride his bike.



Brenna Depies

My name is Brenna Depies this is my 13th summer at Indigenous Peoples Task Force. Currently, I help coordinate and lead the Ikidowin Acting Ensemble and youth programs at IPTF. It is a true joy to be able to work with Native teens and watch them develop, trust and teamwork with each other, their artistic expression on stage, and poetry writing. I've worked with the IPTF Healing Circle Internship program for Native young adults, worked in the Ciggy Aint Jiggy e-cigg prevention program, Keep The Fire Alive suicide prevention program, Minneapolis Step-Up interns at IPTF, Native CHAT sexual health education program, and with nearly all of the Ikidowin Plays. I'm grateful for all of the cultural teachings I've learned at IPTF, it has made my life much richer. I'm a Mom to two young boys Arthur and Dean. Arthur was born in 2017, and got to be one of the first babies to sample Indigi-Baby baby food from IPTF's farm!