

PREVIOUS PROGRAMS

LET THE CHILDREN PLAY

Beginning in 2001, NAMA has visited and provided music performances and entertainment programs for sick children who are undergoing treatment for their severe and life-threatening illnesses. Nothing can be more rewarding than easing the stress of a worried parent and making a sick child smile.

PUT THE HEAT ON

A major effort to provide Winter Aid Relief Efforts to the Lakota Sioux Communities were launched following a severe blizzard throughout South Dakota in Winter 2008 that created emergency conditions with 20 foot snowdrifts and thousands of power lines down. Our Call To Action and lead a national effort to provide emergency heating assistance by purchasing gas, wood and electric for families; winter clothing, and storm supplies. In just a few months, NAMA raised over \$15,000.00 in Winter Aid Relief donations and immediately assisted elders and the disabled, as well as households with infants and small children throughout the nine districts of the Pine Ridge reservation during extremely harsh conditions to without heat or electric. Support was also provided by our The Tides Foundation, The Forest County Potawatomi Community, The Yavapia Prescott Indian Tribe and our members.

HELP SANTA FIND ROSEBUD

For Christmas 2008, we were invited by the Tribal President of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, to help Santa find the children on the Rosebud. This Toy Drive for the children on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation was the first in several consecutive Toy Drives for the youth population of the Sicangu Oyate (Rosebud Sioux Tribe) from ages 1 thru 18 is 7500 so they can know and share in the Holiday spirit.

DONATE NOW!

COMMUNITY RESPONSE

Our organization has grown to respond to *Call to Actions* from various Native and International communities with; Free Music Concerts for Sick Children and their families, emergency heat efforts for families living in sub-standard housing, annual toy drives for children, musical instrument giveaways for Indian veterans suffering from PTSD, "Stay Strong: We Are Here For You" national suicide prevention bracelets for at risk Native youth, Benefit CDs and Free Music for causes such as; *Standing Rock: Water Is Life*, protecting wolves as an endangered species, and for children in Haiti following a massive earthquake. Whatever the call, we rise to respond to those most in need.

NATIVE YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION

Suicide is no stranger to Native Youth. Reservation youth suicide continues at an epidemic rate and is among the highest in our country. Our nominees and winners serve as positive role models for our youth. NAMA makes a major show of support and strength by giving our recording artists a yellow suicide prevention awareness bracelet during their on-stage appearance at our Annual Awards ceremony. This yellow bracelet is embedded with a message to our youth that tells them to "Stay Strong. We Are Here For You." Additional bracelets are provided to attendees and to Native youth, particularly those who have lost someone to suicide.



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*In Preserving The Past And
Embracing The Future*



2017 Membership Brochure

*Bringing indigenous music to
the world's consciousness.*
New York Times

*It's time to start taking Native
American music seriously.*
USA Today

THE NATIVE AMERICAN MUSIC ASSOCIATION

Originally established In 1998, The Native American Music Association (NAMA) was formed as a non profit 501(c)(3) surrounding the debut of the Native American Music Awards to promote a greater cultural understanding and an exchange of Native American music.

The Association celebrates the rich musical heritage of first nation's people while educating the general public. For the true generations that can preserve the stories and songs of the past, they are the oldest – the elders. And today, Native youth face immense pressures, challenges and limited opportunities for the future. Together, we ensure the past and present receive the needed resources and opportunities to gather and share their music to ensure and experience cultural revival and renewal.

Our organization responds to *Call to Actions* from various communities by;

- Creating national suicide prevention awareness campaigns Native youth
- Producing free music compilation cds to raise awareness on issues such as Standing Rock and on endangered species protections,
- Providing musical instruments for our wounded veterans,
- Providing emergency heat efforts for families and annual toy drives for children
- Creating the world's largest Native American music archive
- Establishing a category for Native music in the Grammys and advising on their Regional Roots category
- Training youth in music event production
- Presenting special music performances and festivals from Alaska to New York City



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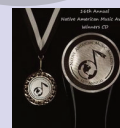
Our organization remains committed to preserving and promoting Native American music culture. Here are links to some of our **FREE CDs:**



WATER IS LIFE Vol 1 and Vol II

Nominees and winners of the Native American Music Awards donated their songs to two free compilation CDs entitled, Water Is Life I and Water Is Life II, in support of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's efforts to protect their land, and water from the Dakota Access Pipeline. The free CDs feature a variety of artist contributions from Nominees and Winners from all tribal nations and music styles. For a link to the free CD click here:

<https://www.nativeamericanmusicawards.com/free-music>



WINNERS CD Various Artists

This Cd features music tracks from Award winners of the 16th Annual Native American Music Awards. The Association made the CD is also available to radio station programmers. You can listen at this link. <https://www.nativeamericanmusicawards.com/winners-music>

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