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Dear Library Champion,

We are so grateful for you.

You keep our Library strong, and with your support, create a vibrant today and tomorrow.

Thank you!

Enjoy this month's focus, it's [Native American History Month](#) - a celebration of the rich traditions, culture, and ancestry of Native Americans.

There's a lot for you to sample: from a curated festival of films featuring Native Americans, to journeying to the Library's American Indian Resource Center virtually with this enews (or better yet, heading there in person!), to great reads and activities, like learning phrases in Cherokee or Potawatomi with Mango Languages or exploring Native American Representation.

And in this season of harvest and feasting, you might also want to check out a fabulous collection of [holiday recipes](#) from around the world.

You've got any cuisine at your fingertips with your Library, including Indigenous cuisine - whether it's browsing gorgeous images in an ebook, or concocting something from a cookbook off the shelves.

Wishing you a wonderful holiday weekend and season!

With thanks for you,

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Andrea Carroll
Executive Director

P.S. [Your gift today will make a difference](#). And thanks to generous Library Champion Robbin Steif, **your gift will be DOUBLED**, up to a total of \$10,000 as we head to Giving Tuesday on November 30th.

**Virtual Field Trip: American Indian
Resource Center**

While November showcases and celebrates Native American ancestry and culture with a national heritage month, the Library keeps a spotlight on Native Americans all year long.

The [American Indian Resource Center](#) (AIRC), in Huntington Park Library, has operated since 1979. It's the largest public library collection of its kind in the U.S. Fitting for a county that is home to more people of Native heritage than any other county in the U.S.

And like all LA County Library locations, you're welcome – and encouraged – to stop by, whether you're doing academic research, seeking resources or referrals to services, or looking for a great read or movie.

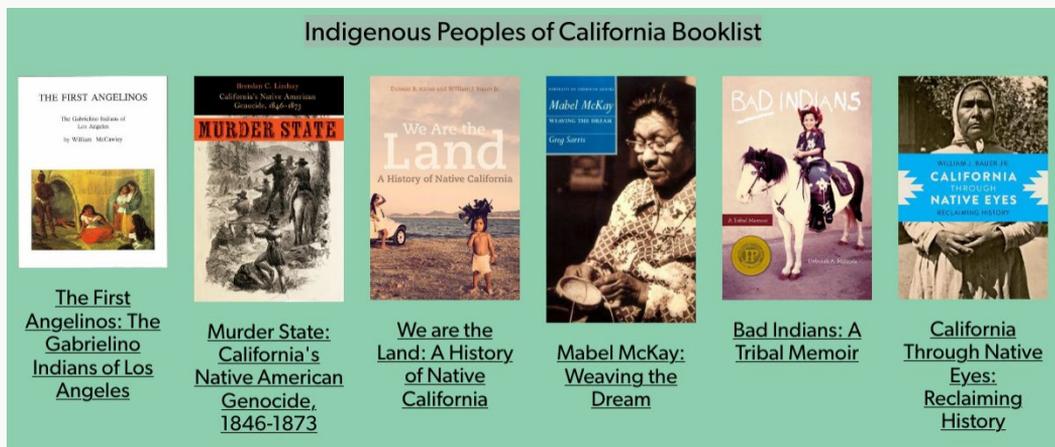


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Can't stop by in person? Follow the [AIRC on Facebook](#). You'll find events and fascinating stories, like an insightful article from *Smithsonian Magazine*, "Do American Indians Celebrate Thanksgiving?," as well as information about current events pertaining to Native Americans.

You might consider signing onto a [really cool volunteer project](#), also something you can do remotely - helping transcribe *Letters of the Office of Indian Affairs, 1849-1880*. These letters are from the turbulent first 30 years of California's statehood.

You've got all kinds of opportunities to learn about and explore Native American Heritage, all year long - with books, magazines, activities, and events.

AIRC Librarian Kascia has curated a series of [book talks and also a great line-up of movies](#). Check them out...there's something for all ages and for all kinds of interests.

My favorites? *Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked the World*, a documentary filled with great music by Native American legends like Jimi Hendrix, Buffy Sainte-Marie, and Link Wray. And *Living Nations, Living Words*, an interactive anthology of poems by Native authors, curated by U.S. Poet Laureate Joy Harjo.

Have fun learning and exploring!

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