



AILDI news & updates

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News, events, updates, opportunities... everything and anything related to AILDI and native languages.

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Indigenous Language Program Directory Highlights

The Hualapai Ethnobotany Youth Project

revitalizing ethnobotanical knowledge and identity
connections among Hualapai youth

by Carrie Cannon



Frank Mapatis & Phyna Cook, harvesting



Hualapai students gather 'round to learn the process of preparing a mescal pit

Featured quote:

“When we teach the plant knowledge we do it in the language;

“a’ha” that is cottonwood and the name in Hualapai tells you that this plant grows by the water, “hamsi’iv,” that is cattail, part of that word means star, for the knowledge that when the plant goes to seed and the fluff blows away in a breeze, the shape of that seed fluff, it resembles a star. If our children lose their heritage language, they lose part of their history, who they are, where they come from. In the teaching of the ethnobotany to the children, we believe it is important for them to think in Hualapai, and connect to this land that is their heritage.” - the late Hualapai tribal elder Malinda Powskey on the significance of the Hualapai Youth Ethnobotany Project

[Read the full story here](#)

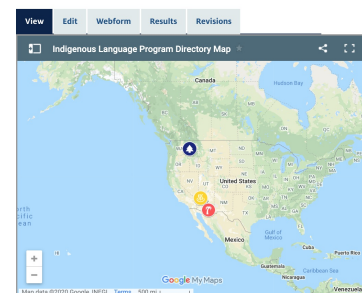
Submit to AILDI's Indigenous Language Program Directory

to showcase and share the work you do for your language

Our intention is to compile a directory map of Indigenous language programs across the continent. Each submission will contain program information to serve as a resource for anyone looking to learn more about language work as well as for further sharing and collaboration.

To submit to our directory, please click [here](#)

Indigenous Language Program Directory Map



AILDI Summer 2020 Online Reminders

AILDI Funding

LAST CALL! Partial Tuition Scholarships Available



AILDI is pleased to offer partial tuition scholarships for the upcoming summer session.

The application deadline is June 3, 2020.

For the application, click [here](#):

If you have any questions contact AILDI @
coe-aildi@email.arizona.edu

Theme, Instructor Bios, and Course Descriptions

Telling Our Language Journey Stories:

Documenting the Language Work We Do

Students have the **option to register for either one or two classes** to participate in the summer 2020 online institute.

For more info on the theme, click [here](#)

For instructor bios, click [here](#)

For course descriptions, click [here](#)



Respect the plants and animals;
speak to them in your language.

AILDI Online Registration

Reminder: AILDI Summer 2020 Goes Online



In order to ensure the health and safety of our students and instructors, AILDI has made the decision to offer the summer session courses on-line. If you think this may compromise your decision or ability to participate, please let us know.

Students are required to pre-register with AILDI before applying to the University of Arizona. Tuition for online classes will remain the same.

The dates for the summer session 2020 have been scheduled for July 6-31.

To register, please visit the following links :



[AILDI Pre-registration](#)

[University of Arizona Undergraduate Application](#)

[University of Arizona Graduate Application](#)

Feature Media Highlight

Revisiting the State of Indigenous Languages National Conference (2013)

This month, we would like to pick up where we left off in April by sharing a highlights video from AILDI's *Revisiting the State of Indigenous Languages National Conference* in 2013.

The goal of the conference was to critically

examine the state of Indigenous languages since the passage of the Native American Languages Act (NALA 1990 and 1992). Plenary Speakers included Daryl Baldwin, Lilian Sparks, April Counciller, Stacey Oberly, Natalie Diaz, Vincent Medina (AICLS).



To see the AILDI conference sessions in their entirety, go to the AILDI website at:

[AILDI National Conference 2013 All Videos](#)

For more AILDI videos like this, visit:

[AILDI's Youtube Channel](#)

COVID-19 Stories and Resources

COVID-19 Information, Resources, & Stories

Here are a few resources to help keep you, your loved ones, and your community safe, healthy, and informed:



[CDC Coronavirus Website](#)

[Indian Health Service Coronavirus Resources](#)

[US Department of Labor Website](#)

[Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Resource Center](#)

[COVID-19 Pandemic Preparedness Plan PDF](#)

[CDC Mitigation Strategies for Communities](#)

[COVID Guide for Communities and Local Decision Makers](#)

[First Nations Coronavirus Resources](#)

Then check out the [latest stories of Indigenous resilience](#) to the pandemic curated by the American Indian Policy Institute at ASU on their blog!

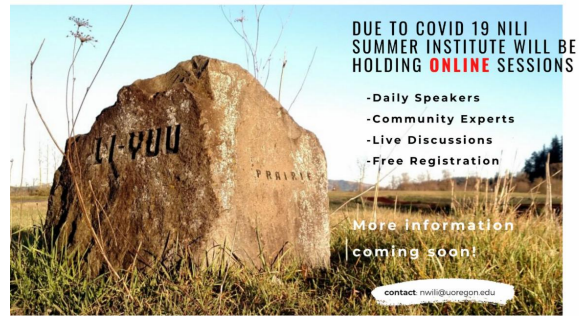
Upcoming Workshops, Events, & Institutes

June 15th - 26th, 2020

Similar to AILDI, NILI will be holding its summer institute online this summer 2020.

Check out this link for more details:

[NILI Summer 2020](#)



Ongoing Projects

Support Indigenous Language Stewards at AILDI *with a donation towards student scholarships*



Support from our friends makes AILDI possible for future generations of students, teachers, community members, and activists.

All donations go towards AILDI scholarships and any amount -- however big or small -- is welcome.

If you have ever attended AILDI, you know its value. Honor your experience by giving back today!

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The American Indian Language Development Institute's (AILDI) mission is to provide critical training to strengthen efforts to revitalize and promote the use of Indigenous languages across generations. This is accomplished by engaging educators, schools, Indigenous communities and policy makers nationally and internationally through outreach, transformative teaching, purposeful research and collaborative partnerships. As a result of our work, we envision that the larger society will know that language revitalization is critical to sustain and reinforce Indigenous linguistic, cultural, and spiritual health and identity.