

Nakoda AV Club

Report to Community

- The Club is a collective of storytellers
- Anyone who identifies as a Îethka, or a storyteller, could join
- To join, just ask to be part of our FB Group and make a post about your storytelling practice
- Your only obligation as a member is carry yourself in a "good way" in your life according to Îethka teachings
- No one gets paid to be a member, sometimes we get grants to do projects, if you work on the project, you get paid
- We don't have regular meetings, just project meetings so if there is something that the "Club" is doing it'll be posted on the FB and anyone can join
- If you have concerns about the Club or how it's run, post in the FB we're open to learning ways to do better
- If you want to do a project with the Club (using it's name) just post in the FB group or have conversations with other members and then share
- We care about relationships and doing things right
- "right" means in a Îethka way
- We're still learning what a Îethka way is

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2021 Summary

- The Yellowstone to Yukon animation started screening in a bunch of places and we made a “making of” documentary to accompany it
- We’ve been sharing the dog documentary with audiences that request it, including the University of Calgary vet medicine team. We decided to put it online so anyone who needs the message can see it, and we made a viewing guide that answers the most common questions that we get when people watch it.
- We continued working on the Tibi film, it should go to festivals next year. This also means we have a tipi to work with if we need it for other projects
- Amber curated a package of short animations for the Festival of Animated Arts
- Miranda, Chey, and Jarret continued working on the project with the Whyte Museum in Banff, Leo and Elias joined in and did some work on it as well.
- We published a book for babies, 8 artists got paid for their work & we got a grant to start a new project making language tools for families. The tools include baby moccasins, a onesie, books, a teether, and animations in Îethka and english. When the project is done we’ll have sent out 100 packages to babies born to Stoney families
- we acquired a selection of traditional clothes that were supposed to be movie props at an auction

- Jarret and Chey filmed a commercial for Arc'teryx with an Indigenous artist who asked for the Club members to film her work
- Sol filmed the McDougall project with a team he brought from Vancouver. He'll release it when it's ready
- A bunch of the members participated in a conference called Environmental Racism is Garbage
- Jarret and Sol worked online with some schools in Regina to make short films in a project facilitated by the Regina Public Library
- Some of our members got some funding to make another COVID commercial, this one was about the importance of getting vaccinated

Members did cool individual projects this year, Sol published a book of photography, Chey joined a collective of artists working in Banff with glaciers and appeared in a film and exhibit as part of that project. There were some news articles about the Club and its members in Big Kitty Magazine, and people were in podcasts and newspaper articles again.

