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IAIA Joins Rocky Mountain Online Archive
Partnership Represents First Step toward Making Historic IAIA Records Public

Santa Fe, NM – The Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) has joined the Rocky Mountain Online Archive (RMOA), a regional consortium website hosted by the University of New Mexico. RMOA publishes specialized guides that provide researchers with detailed descriptions of archival collections from thirty academic and cultural institutions including the University of Colorado, Palace of Governors and the Buffalo Bill Historical Center. This collaboration and publishing of archival finding aids represents a major step toward providing public access to the IAIA archives.

The archives of IAIA contain institutional records, manuscripts, audio recordings, films, photographs, oversize materials and historical mater related to the rich history of the nation’s only school devoted to the study of contemporary Native arts. The important events of the IAIA Museum and the Contemporary Native Arts Movement, as well as IAIA’s role in developing a Native Arts education curriculum are recorded within these tangible pieces of history.

The Rocky Mountain Online Archive is directed by representatives from the Collaborative Digitization Program in Colorado, the American Heritage Center at the University of Wyoming and University Libraries at the University of New Mexico.

For more information about the archives of IAIA or about this project, please call IAIA archivist Ryan Flahive at 505.424.5743 or email rflahive@iaia.edu . For more information about the Institute of American Indian Arts, please visit www.iaia.edu . More information about the Rocky Mountain Online Archive can be found at <http://rmoa.unm.edu> .

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To empower creativity and leadership in Native arts and cultures through higher education,
lifelong learning and outreach