



**2021- 2022 NATIVE AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS
COMPLETE LIST OF NOMINATIONS
CONGRATULATIONS!**

ARTIST OF THE YEAR

Aaron White (Navajo/Ute) - Moonlight Love Songs

Connor Chee (Navajo) - Scenes from Dine'tah

Fawn Wood (Cree and Salish) - Kakike

Irv Lyons, Jr (Oneida) - Private Invitation

Jace Martin (Iroquois Mohawk) - Rainbowworld

Kelly Derrickson (First Nations) - I Am

R. Carlos Nakai (Dine/Ute) - Nocturne

Sten Joddi (Mvskoke Creek Nation of Oklahoma) - It's A Native Thang

BEST DEBUT ARTIST

Charles Joseph Woods III (Saddle Lake Cree Nation/Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation) - Honest To You

Elexa Dawson (Citizen Potawatomi Nation) - Music is Medicine

Julian Taylor (Mohawk) - The Ridge

Matthew Hawk (Navajo) - Overcome

Melody McArthur (Cree (Nehiyawak) - Rising Waters

Mike Bern (Tobique First Nation) - Waponahkew

Zachariah Julian (Jicarilla Apache) - Oblique

BEST DEBUT GROUP OR DUO

Alton Tsosie with Lincoln Josley (Navajo) - Beneath the Canyon Falls - Songs of the Native American Church

Ancient Voices (Choctaw/Cherokee) - Under Open Sky

Bear Fox - Aterosera - (Mohawk Nation) and Mignon Geli

Blue Flamez & YL - (Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs) - Warrior

Jason Lee Wilson James County (Cherokee) - Tennessee

The Breakwater Band (Alutiiq) - Returning

The Buffalo Weavers (Dakota) - The Dark Is Getting Bright

Todi Neesh Zhee & The Martin Sisters (Dine/Navajo) - Epiphany

BEST GROUP/DUO OF THE YEAR

Blackbird (Cherokee/Dakota) - Rebirth, Part 1

Black Lodge Singers (Blackfeet) - My Relatives - Nikso'Kowaiks

Crazy Flute (Cherokee) - Rise

Eagle & Hawk Liberty (Ojibway) - Eagle & Hawk

The GroovaLottos (Mashpee Wampanoag) - A Taste of Things

The Ripcords (Onondaga Nation) - Unmasked

Twin Flames (Inuit, Mohawk/Metis) - Omen

Young Spirit - Angel Eagle - Cree Round Dance Songs

BEST FEMALE VOCALIST

Ava Rose Johnson (Osage/Cherokee) - There's A Boy
Callie Bennett (Navajo, Dine') - Navajo Gospel Hymns Vol. 1 Priceless Treasures
Elexa Dawson (Citizen Potawatomi Nation) - Music is Medicine
Fawn Wood (Cree and Salish) - Kakike
G Precious - The Forgotten (Ohkay Owingeh)
Melody McArthur (Cree (Nehiyawak) - Rising Waters
The Martin Sisters (Dine/Navajo) - Epiphany
Yvonne St. Germaine (Cree) - Sorrow Road

BEST MALE VOCALIST

Irv Lyons, Jr (Oneida) - Private Invitation
Jace Martin (Mohawk) - Rainbowworld
Julian Taylor (Mohawk) - The Ridge
JUQ (Oglala Lakota) - NYA
Ryan Little Eagle (Lakota/Taino) - Chronicles
Spur Pourier (Oglala Lakota) - Shining So Bright
Sten Joddi (Mvskoke Creek Nation of Oklahoma) - It's A Native Thang
Zachariah Julian (Jicarilla Apache) - Oblique

BEST BLUES RECORDING

Double Down - Twice As Good (Pomo)
A Taste of Things - The GroovaLottos (Mashpee Wampanoag)
Oblique - Zachariah Julian (Jicarilla Apache)
Take A Stand - Blue Dog (Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Sioux)
The Rez Hummingbird - Ramonda Holiday (Navajo)
The Roof Is Leaking - Earl Slick and the West Side Social Club (Onondaga)
Unmasked - The Ripchords (Onondaga)

BEST COUNTRY RECORDING

Chronicles - Ryan Little Eagle (Lakota/Tiano)
Music is Medicine - Elexa Dawson (Citizen Potawatomi Nation)
Secret - Billy Simard (Ojibwe)
Shenandoah Country - Joanne Shenandoah (Iroquois-Oneida)
Shine - Leah Belle (Metis)
Tennessee - Jason Lee Wilson James County (Cherokee)
There's A Boy - Ava Rose Johnson (Osage/Cherokee)
The Ridge - Julian Taylor (Mohawk)

BEST FOLK/AMERICANA RECORDING

Aurora 12 - Sandra Sutter (Metis)
Better - Koli Kohler (Yurok, Karuk, Hupa)
Carlisle - Alex Castillo (Arawaw/Taino)
I Am - Kelly Derrickson (First Nations)
Music is Medicine - Elexa Dawson (Citizen Potawatomi Nation)
Overcome - Matthew Hawk (Navajo)
The Ridge - Julian Taylor (Mohawk)
Waponahkew - Mike Bern (Tobique First Nation)

BEST FLUTE RECORDING

All My Blessings - Dail Dragonfly Martin (Huron, Wyandot, Micmac)
Bibigwan: The Flute - Darren Thompson (Lac du Flambeau Ojibwe)
Chronicles - Ryan Little Eagle (Lakota/Taino)
Love, Life, Journey - Songs of the Native American Flute - Jonah Littlesunday
Moonlight Love Songs - Aaron White (Navajo/Ute)
Nocturne - R. Carlos Nakai (Dine/Ute)
Rise - Crazy Flute

Seventh Generation Healing: Pine Ridge Flute Society Volume Two - Pine Ridge Flute Society (Oglala Lakota)

BEST CHRISTIAN/INSPIRATIONAL PERFORMANCE (*New Category)

I Will Survive - Shawn Michael Perry (Maya)

I Won't Stop Contending - Kelly Montijo Fink (Apache)

My Anthology - Ellson Bennett (Navajo Diné)

Navajo Gospel Hymns Vol. 1 Priceless Treasures - Callie Bennett (Navajo, Dine')

Sorrow Road - Yvonne St. Germaine (Cree)

Struggle We Go Through - Lordside Movement (Mohawk)

Victory Highway - Richelle Darby Garcia (Kiowa/Comanche)

We Are Calling - Akitchitay (Yukayeke Mayohuacan Taino)

BEST INSTRUMENTAL RECORDING

All My Blessings - Dail Dragonfly Martin (Huron, Wyandot, Micmac)

Handpan Music for a Pandemic - Randy Granger (Mayan/Apache)

Moonlight Love Songs - Aaron White (Navajo/Ute)

Nocturne - R. Carlos Nakai (Dine/Ute)

Rise - Crazy Flute (Cherokee)

Scenes from Dine'tah - Connor Chee (Navajo)

Taking Flight - Painted Raven (Cherokee/Lakota)

Under Open Sky - Ancient Voices (Choctaw/Cherokee)

BEST NATIVE AMERICAN CHURCH RECORDING

Admirations Quest - Dewey Gonnie (Navajo)

'Azee' Diyin - Anthony Benally (Kinyaa'aanii)

Beneath the Canyon Falls - Songs of the Native American Church - Alton Tsosie with Lincoln Josley

Continuation Songs II - Martinez Lee Sr. With Jerome Myers (Navajo/Dine)

Peyote Songs - The Rock (Navajo)
Remedy - Quinton Gonnie (Navajo)
Remembering Our Elders - Jarvis Hunter (Navajo)
Whispering in the Night - Donjay Nelson (Navajo)

POP RECORDING

Apocalyptic Teens - RainbowStar (Yankton Sioux)
Aurora 12 - Sandra Sutter (Metis)
Blessed - Blue Flamez (Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs)
Eagle & Hawk Liberty - Eagle & Hawk (Ojibway)
Hourglass to Ebulience - Rellik (Metis)
Omen - Twin Flames (Inuit, Mohawk/Metis)
Rainbowworld - Jace Martin (Mohawk Iroquois)
Rising Waters - Melody McArthur (Cree (Nehiyawak))

BEST R&B RECORDING

A Taste of Things - The GroovaLottos (Mashpee Wampanoag)
Dimensions - Antoine (Lakota/ UMonHOn)
Game Time - Blue Flamez X Kaos - (Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs of Oregon)
Hometown - Bigg B (Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs)
Hourglass to Ebulience - Rellik (Metis)
Land Bass - Shibastik (Moose Cree First Nation)
The Rez Hummingbird - Ramonda Holiday (Navajo)
NYA - JUQ (Oglala Lakota)

BEST RAP HIP HOP RECORDING

3 Eye Hip - Joey Stylez (Cree)

Blessed - Blue Flamez (Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs)

Brown Fist Emoji (Enoch Cree) - Brown Fist Emoji

Can I Get It - Artson (Tarahumara)

It's A Native Thang - Sten Joddi (Mvskoke Creek Nation of Oklahoma)

Rez Life - Nick Lone (Seneca)

Temple of the Witch King - Maniac: The Siouxpernatural (Cheyenne River Sioux)

The Forgotten - G Precious (Ohkay Owingeh)

ROCK RECORDING

A Lakota's Perspective - The Litter (Hopi)

Ancestral Legacy - War Bonnet (Ojibwe)

Billy Jack Style - NDN Soul (Chickasaw/Cherokee)

Eagle & Hawk Liberty - Eagle & Hawk (Ojibway)

Leathers and Feathers - The Johnnys (Cree/Denesoline)

Private Invitation - Irv Lyons, Jr (Oneida)

Pretendians - Pretendians (Lakota/Dakota)

Rock & Roll City - Midnight Sparrows (Fort McKay First Nation)

Who We Are - Blackbird (Dakota Eastern Band Cherokee)

BEST POW WOW / DRUM SONGS RECORDING

Cree Round Dance Songs - Young Spirit

Honest To You - Charles Joseph Woods III (Saddle Lake Cree Nation/Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation)

Kakike - Fawn Wood (Cree and Salish)

My Relatives - Nikso'Kowaiks - Black Lodge Singers (Blackfeet)

Not Looking Back - Faran Sohappy (Yakama)

Past, Present and Future - Mandaree Singers (Arikara/Hidatsa/Cree/Redband of Chippewas)

BEST TRADITIONAL RECORDING

Aterosera - Bear Fox (Mohawk Nation) and Mignon Geli

Epiphany - Todi Neesh Zhee & The Martin Sisters (Dine/Navajo)

Honest To You - Charles Joseph Woods III (Saddle Lake Cree Nation/Umatilla)

Joyful Journey - Joe Tohonnie Jr. & Friends (Apache)

Kakike - Fawn Wood (Cree and Salish)

Lore of the Ancients - Louie Gonnig (Navajo/Zuni)

Not Looking Back - Faran Sohappy (Yakama)

Shining So Bright - Spur Pourier (Oglala Lakota)

Takata - Warfield Moose Jr (Lakota)

BEST WAILA RECORDING

2020 - Cruz (Tohono O'odham)

For You - Southern Mumsigo (Tohono O'odham)

Just Getting Started - Dust Till Dawn (Tohono O'odham)

Our Passion - Papago Warrior (Tohono O'odham)

This Light - D. Faktion Nyne (Tohono O'odham)

Tribal Harmony - Intertribal (Tohono O'odham)

Versatile 3 Peat - Famous Ones (Tohono O'odham)

NATIVE HEART RECORDING

All Life Springs From Water - Wolfsheart

Distant Lands - Gera & T.M

Doin' The Best I Can - Janet Altice

Into The Woods - Morton Jones

There's A Boy- Billy Dawson

Two World's - Steven Newton

Vision Quest - Bearheart Kokopelli

SINGLE OF THE YEAR

Beautiful Year - Steven Arrowtopknot

Better With You featuring Aasiva - Shauna Seeteenak (Inuit)

Bloomsday - Samantha Crain

Have You Seen My Sister - Koli Kohler (Yurok, Karuk, Hupa)

I Will Always Fight - Kalliah and BlackWater (Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs)

Khadijah - Tracy Lee Nelson (Luiseno/Kumeyaay)

K-Pop Dream Boy - Martin Sisters (Navajo)

Light - Innastate (Jicarilla Apache, Jemez Pueblo, Isleta Pueblo, Kewa Pueblo)

Native America - Raven Hernandez/Blackwing (Navajo)

No More Trail of Tears - Richelle Darby Garcia (Kiowa/Comanche)

Straight Up - Kori Thornton (Colville/Arrow Lakes Band Of Turtle Clan)

Toward the Rising Sun (From "Te Ata") - Tabitha Fair

BEST SONG FROM AN ALBUM

"Aurora Borealis" Aurora 12 - Sandra Sutter (Metis)

“Crazy Without You” - Secret- Billy Simard (Ojibwe)
“Give A Little”, Rainbowworld - Jace Martin (Iroquois Mohawk)
“Glow Up” Rising Waters - Melody McArthur (Cree (Nehiyawak))
“Let It Rain” -Returning - The Breakwater Band (Alutiiq)
“Rainmaker”, Tennessee - Jason Lee Wilson & James County (Cherokee)
“Save The Planet” - Private Invitation - Irv Lyons, Jr with Joanne Shenandoah(Oneida)
“Unforgettable” - G Precious with Macy Gray
“We Found Love” - Shine - Leah Belle (Metis)
“Who We Are” - Blackbird (Cherokee/Dakota)

BEST HONOR / TRIBUTE SONG

For Grams & Gramps - Faran Sohapp
I'm Missing You - Hannah Bonez (Leah Shenandoah)
I'm A Vet Tribute to Richie Plass - Bobby Bullet (Lac du Flambeau)
Our Precious Mothers - Bearfox & Mignon Geli
Precious Light - Jimmy Lee Young w/ Joanne Shenandoah
Veterans Song - Mandaree Singers

RISING STAR (Ages 18 & Under)

Apocalyptic Teens - RainbowStar
Changes - Jasmine Plasky (Lac du Flambeau)
Don't Abuse the Medicine - Girls Rising
I Got Shoes - MyMy Rose (Lac du Flambeau)
I Hate To Admit It - The Sillyette's (Navajo/Dine')
I Wanna Cry - The Voices (Ojibwe, Potawatomi, Hochunk)
MMIW Lakota Prayer - Bryant Waupoose III, (Menominee of Wisconsin)
Suspension, Snapshot - ShilohMFA (Mnicoujou Lakota Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe)

BEST ANIMATION IN A VIDEO

Across Seas - Mozart Gabriel (Taos & Navajo)

Backup - Blackbird (Cherokee/Dakota) with Portugal The Man & Sage Cornelius

“(Indian Girl) Driving Me Crazy” - Joey Stylez (Cree)

The Halluci Nation Stay ft. Antoine, Tom Power, Chippewa Travellers

Virus Song - Bobby Bullet & Pam Nesbit (Lac du Flambeau)

Waponahkew - Mike Bern (Tobique First Nation)

Warrior - Blue Flamez (Warm Springs) featuring Tanaya Winder

Great Divide - Eagle & Hawk (Ojibway)

BEST BLUES VIDEO

After Midnight - In the Hollow- Rosa Linda

Lockdown Quarantine Reservation Blues - Adrian Wall

Pray For Our Planet - Blue Mountain Tribe

Solidarity - Joshua Arden Miller

Stay (On the Wind) ft. Bradley AJ - Shibastik

When - Graywolf Blues Band (Yoene/Musaogee)

BEST COUNTRY VIDEO

Highway Number Six - Gator Beaulieu (Anishinaabe)

Missing - Linda mckenzie and gen huitt (confederated salish and kootenae)

The Ridge --Julian Taylor (Mohawk)

Trust - Cary Morin and Ghost Dog (Crow)

BEST COLLABORATION IN A VIDEO

Backup - Blackbird (Cherokee/Dakota) featuring Portugal The Man and Sage Cornelius

DreamCatcher Visions - KnowMadic Mind (Colville Confederated Tribe)

Earth Drum -- Ki~Earth Spirit" - aka BLanca Iris Acuna Ft. Quilt Sahme , Alex Acuna, Brenda G Precious , Jack Flute Holland

Horizons - Just Jamez Feat. Maura Garcia) (Colville Confederated Tribes)

It's Like That - Brown Fist Emoji (Enoch Cree) - Brown Fist Emoji Artson, Crystal Lightening

Patience - Antoine Edwards ft.Gunner Jules, MIRACLE, Spur Pourier

The Halluci Nation Stay ft. Antoine, Tom Power, Chippewa Travellers

The Storm - DOC Native featuring Spencer Battiest (Seminole)

United We Native - Foreshadow, KiidTruth & Yvng Vin (feat. The Pete Sisters)

BEST FOLK / AMERICANA VIDEO

Above The Clouds (Bears Den Cover) by Our Last Chants (Navajo)

Goodbye - Our Last Chants

Mercy Falls - Mathew Hawk

Nalligigakku (Because I Love Her) - Joey Nowyuk (Inuit)

Little One - Carsen Grey

Rivers Run to the Sea - "Circle Song" - Elexa Dawson (Citizen Potawatomi Nation)

Sea Glass - Koli Kohler (Yurok, Karuk, Hupa)

Take Me To The Water - Teresa Suydam (Ojibwe Roseau River Band)

Toward The Rising Sun Te Ata - Tabitha Fair (Chickasaw)

Train Wreck - Rellik and SFE

Waponahkew - Mike Bern (Tobique First Nation)

BEST INSTRUMENTAL VIDEO

Before Dawn - Painted Raven

Frybread - Connor Chee (Navajo)

River of Life- Wolfsheart (Native Heart)

Tribal Groove - Crazy Flute (Cherokee)

Walking The Sacred Path - Bearheart Kokopelli (Native Heart)

BEST NARRATIVE IN A VIDEO

Bazille and The Cave Collective Present: Travelling the Multiverse with Iktomi

I'm Not Racist - Sten Joddi

Illusionz - Aye five (Seminole)

My Supplication - Ellson Bennett (Navajo Diné)

Protect Your People - Foreshadow (Salish)

The Storm - DOC Native featuring Spencer Battiest (Seminole)

Welcome To Hell - Two Shields

BEST POP VIDEO

Bloomsday - Samantha Crain

Calling All Dancers - DJ Shub (Mohawk)

Dance! - Gentle Man Goo Goo Alex Jacob Wilson

Dream - DOC Native Featuring Spencer Battiest (Seminole)

Ghost - Jace Martin (Mohawk)

Giants - Twin Flames

Great Divide - Eagle & Hawk (Ojibway)

Indian Girl (Driving me Crazy) - Joey Stylez and Northern Cree

Mon Amour (Remix) from Rising Waters - Melody McArthur (Cree (Nehiyawak)}

Real Deadly - Snotty Nose Rez Kids

Seed - Innastate (Pueblo)

Standing People - Sandra Sutter

There's A Boy - Ava Rose Johnson (Osage/Cherokee)

BEST RAP HIP HOP VIDEO

Akicita - Crimespree feat. Jon Watts

Buss Down - Doc Native (Seminole)

Gymnastics - The ZYG 808

Hyphy - Night Shield featuring Dr. Funktavius

Oseola - Carradine (Seminole)

Pipe Down - Savelle Tha Native (Siletz)
Real Deadly - Snotty Nose Rez Kids
Relentless Flow - Blue Flamez (Warm Springs)
Indigenous - J25 (Chickasaw)
Ruthless Bastard - Maniac The Siouxpernautural
Stay (On the Wind) ft. Bradley AJ - Shibastik
The Break Up - G.O.R.I.L.L.A JAY (Yakama)
Welcome To The Matriarch - Jah'kota (Nakota Assiniboine)

BEST ROCK VIDEO

Across Seas - Mozart Gabriel (Taos & Navajo)
Backup - Blackbird (Cherokee/Dakota) with Portugal The Man & Sage Cornelius
Distance of Eyes - Ken Fury
Great Divide - Eagle & Hawk (Ojibway)
Greta's Stare - Katsük (Chickasaw)
Ikwe - War Bonnett
Nisakihtan Kiya Kisokatowin - The Johnnys
No Way Out - The Bloodshots (Ojibwa, Cree, Metis)
Seed - Innastate (Pueblo)

BEST CONTEMPORARY VOCAL VIDEO

Bloomsday - Samantha Crain
Drifter Soul - Tony Louie (Colville)
Ghost - Jace Martin (Mohawk)
Giants - Twin Flames
Heal My Home - Callie Bennett (Navajo Dine')

Toward The Rising Sun Te Ata - Tabitha Fair (Chickasaw)

I Will Survive - Shawn Michael Perry (Maya)

Sah 'Laana - Carsen Gray (Haida)

You Know Who U Are - Ramonda Holiday (Navajo)

BEST TRADITIONAL VOCAL VIDEO

Don't Abuse the Medicine - Girls Rising

MMIW Lakota Prayer - Bryant Waupoose III, (Menominee of Wisconsin)

Picadilly Billy - Martin Sisters (Navajo)

Nalligigakku (Because I Love Her) - Joey Nowyuk (Inuit)

United We Native - feat. The Pete Sisters

Ashinetau - Mike Paul Kuekuatsheu

BEST LIVE PERFORMANCE VIDEO

Calling All Dancers - DJ Shub (Mohawk)

Come Down - Jason Lee Wilson & James County

Drifter Soul - Tony Louie (Colville)

House of the Rising Son - Rosa Linda & Frank - Cruzroom Open Mic, Portland, OR

The Storm - DOC Native featuring Spencer Battiest (Seminole)

Train Wreck - Rellik and SFE

Welcome To The Matriarch - Jah'kota (Nakota Assiniboine)

When - Graywolf Blues Band (Yoene/Musaogee)