



Sherman Indian Museum

A Neighborhood Treasure



Over 100 years of local history
The building is currently the No. 16 National Historic Landmark in Riverside



Sherman Indian Institute, Riverside
The existing Administration building is Sherman Indian's only original architecture.



In 1903, the school relocated from Perris, California to Riverside, California, as the Sherman Institute.



A Neighborhood Treasure (cont'd)



The Sherman Indian High School (SIHS) is the first off-reservation boarding high school in California for Native Americans.



1969



SHERMAN INDIAN HIGH SCHOOL
Riverside, California

The students who attend Sherman Indian High School represent over 76 federally recognized tribes across the United States.

The Sherman Museum



The Sherman Museum has records and 2,000 catalogued American Indian artifacts that have been donated by friends and family of the SIHS community dating back to 1892.



In 1974, the Sherman Indian Museum was designated as a Riverside Cultural Heritage Landmark. It was entered into the National Register of Historic Places in 1980.

Cultural Resource Topics



- Language study groups and lessons in the Indigenous Language Center
- Native Plant uses (Medicinal, cordage, foods, soaps, etc.)
- Southern California Tribal cultures
- Boarding School history
- Sherman school History
- Basketry
- Rock art
- Traditional uses of tobacco
- Traditional values (elders, spirituality, environment, etc.)
- Toys and games
- Soapstone and shell carving
- Music and instruments
- Native leader and culture bearer speakers



Community Partnership



In 2016, University of California, Riverside and Sherman Indian Museum received a grant to digitize Sherman's collection. The collection documents the experiences of students since 1892, spanning across over 500 tribal nations students.



Sherman Indian High School



All students are from federally recognized tribes throughout the United States.



Rich in History and Culture



Cultural Resource Field Trips:

- Sherman Indian Museum
- Centennial photo exhibit in the auditorium lobby
- Sherman Indian High School Memorial Park
- Sherman Indian High School Historic Land Mark Tour

Sherman Indian Cemetery

- Riverside's History and Sherman's connection (Magnolia to downtown)
- Mocking bird canyon archeological site (rock art, grinding rocks, native plants used)
- Local Tribe museums and cultural centers
- Local civic museums and nature centers



Sherman Museum Healthy Heart



- Monday nights during IRG at Bennett Hall is Fancy Shawl, Hoop Dance, and Drum practice
- Tuesday's at 4:30pm in Bennett Hall is Yoga and meditation sessions
- Wednesday's during IRG in Bennet Hall is Powwow Night
- Thursday's during IRG at Bennett Hall is Hip Hop and Modern Dance workshops.



Riverside Neighborhood Partnership

Board meets the

1st Monday
of the month.

Next meeting:

Monday June 4
City Hall – 7th Floor
6:30-8:00pm



RNP MISSION

to connect & unite community members with neighbors, groups, and resources to facilitate community engagement, improve our quality of life, and build a sense of place through outreach, information & communication

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Sherman Indian Museum

Museum Hours: Tuesday-Thursday from 1:00pm to 4:30pm or by appointment.

Hours are subject to change. Please call for tours.

For research and inquiries, please email your request to:

ShermanResearchRequest@yahoo.com

Visit their website

www.shermanindianmuseum.org