

BLACKFEET STUDIOS

Music & Video Production

**A project of the American Indian Partnership,
a 501(c)3 non-profit on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation**



Studio A:

Rock, Blues,
Pop, Metal
Old School

Blackfeet Studios provides free studio time and free access to professional-quality musical instruments, audio & video recording equipment, and photography & lighting gear as a creative outlet for Blackfeet and other Native artists.

Think about this: What was the last time American Indian / First Nations musicians made a crossover leap from the rez onto the charts and into your car radio by incorporating indigenous sounds, worldviews, heart, and spirit into music popular with wide audiences?

Arguably it was the 1994 soundtrack album: *Music For The Native Americans* (Robbie Robertson, Mohawk / Cayuga).

Musical genius has no zip code, so why should Hans Zimmer corner the market on beautiful indigenous / human / organic / from-some-other-place sounds embedded into incredible new music? **We have a reservation full of Blackfeet composers / singers / drummers / players all waiting to be heard!**

Blackfeet Studios offers free music lessons and free audio / video / photography lessons. The facilities are also suitable to make videos of storytelling, cultural presentations, and elder interviews for posterity, and for podcasts or YouTube.

Our cuzzins on our rez need more healthy, inspiring, productive things to do. AIP already makes available free artist studio space and free art supplies so painters, beaders, etc., can pursue, develop, and monetize their art. This project gives musicians their own place.

These photos show some of the gear purchased in 2021 / 2022, with more being added weekly. The idea is to inspire artistic development and encourage lots of practice by having on hand the universally coveted, iconic gear that all musicians want to play and learn on.

Blackfeet Studios has to date been funded 100% by the two Piikani and one Dine' family bloodlines that proposed the project. AIP's Blackfeet Children Christmas Fund also purchases hundreds of musical instruments and thousands of other Christmas gifts for children and households, but none of those donations are used for Blackfeet Studios or other purposes.



Studio B:

Sound Design,
Acoustic,
Hip Hop,
Electronic,
Country, Jazz,
World,
Crossover

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