

Biography

Krystal Curley is from a small town of Gallup, New Mexico which is known to most people as the "Indian Capital of the World". Ms. Curley is a Navajo Nation tribal member and also represents both Spanish and Mexican descent.

Growing up Ms. Curley always knew she was born to help her Navajo people. She has been actively involved in improving her community since the tender age of 14 years old. Her training background ranges from underage drinking prevention, suicide prevention, media literacy, and anti-racism.

Ms. Curley has a B.F.A in Film Production from Santa Fe University of Art and Design. Combining both community engagement and filmmaking experience she is able to bring awareness to indigenous issues like alcoholism, mental health, environmental racism, and intergenerational trauma.

2.17.2021

Board of Octavia Fellin Public Library
115 West Hill Ave.
Gallup, NM 87301

Dear Sir/Madam,

Respectfully, I submit an official letter of interest to serve as a Library Board Advisory Member.

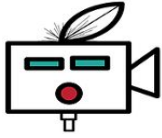
I was born and raised in the Gallup area and I have always valued the importance of our public libraries and the lifelong impact it has on our community members. I'm so thankful to see our Octavia Fellin Public Library blossom and become a major resource for all of McKinley County residents.

For more than half my life I have been a community organizer within McKinley County and have experienced the good and bad our community has to offer. I believe that my background in community organizing, policy change, and filmmaking will be viable to the Board and I will help represent the beautiful community I come from.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krystal Curley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'K' and 'C'.

Krystal Curley



| Professional Work History

Krystal Curley

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Indigenous Lifeways/ Executive Director

JUNE-2016-Present, Gallup, NM www.ourindigenouslifeways.org

Create and develop community/youth camps, events, workshops that instill indigenous teachings and beliefs, sacred sites, non-violent direct actions. Assist with funding strategies and capacity building for nonprofits and community members that face environmental racism.

Silver Bullet Productions/ Internship

JUN-2016-SEPT 2016 Santa Fe, NM www.silverbulletproductions.com

Transcribe uncut interview footage for a feature documentary "Warrior" (working title) about modern day indigenous warriors, gather and reach media material, help with everyday office duties under supervision of Cinematographer/Editor for the project.

Netflix-Longmire Season #4 / Costume Production Assistant

MARCH 2015 -JULY 2015, Santa Fe, NM

Organize stock costumes, Purchase/Return clothing to Department Stores, Greet Talent, Answer phone, Organize Continuity books, Help with minor costume assembly

Visual Sound Production/ Contract Filmmaker

AUG-2013-MAY 2016, Glorieta, NM

Producer, Director, Editor for Short Advocacy videos for Environmental and Social Justice Nonprofits across New Mexico.

Coalition for Healthy and Resilient Youth Inc., Founding President

2008-2010, Gallup, NM

Founding President for a non-profit that held evidence based training and workshops about underage drinking, anti racism, keeping tobacco sacred, and media literacy.

Krystal Curley Film Productions

JUNE-2013-Present, Gallup, NM www.krystalcurley.wixsite.com/collections

Develop Storytelling workshops for All ages. Write, Produce, Direct, Edit, short documentaries about indigenous issues.

Education

Santa Fe University of Art and Design/ Bachelors of Fine Arts, Film Production,

Cum Laude

MAY 2016, Santa Fe, NM

University of New Mexico-Gallup Branch/ Associates of Applied Science,

General Studies

MAY 2013, Gallup, NM

Gallup High School /High School Diploma

MAY 2008, Gallup, NM

Awards

Truth Teller Award (Jan-21) SFUAD-Cum Laude BFA Graduate (16'), SFUAD-President's & Dean's List (13',14',15',16') SFUAD-Indigenous Club Founding Secretary (14') UNM's Din'e Club Founding Secretary (09') Amy Biehl Youth Spirit Award (08') Young Author Award for Best Non-Fiction (03')