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Arts Adventure in the Osage – Three (3) day arts event

Pawhuska, OK (10/06/2016) – The **Osage Nation Museum (ONM)** will be collaborating with the Osage Nation, Pawhuska Merchants Association, Tallgrass Art Gallery and Preserving Arts in the Osage to bring the 'Arts Adventure in the Osage' to Pawhuska, OK. 'Arts Adventure in the Osage' is a three day celebration of the arts, culture and history in Pawhuska, Oklahoma. Scheduled for October 20 – 22, 2016, the event is planned to be fun for all ages.

The 'Adventure' starts on Thursday, October 20th with a preview party for the 'Art Bank' art show and sale in the historic First National Bank building, 100 E. Main. The preview party will run from 7pm – 9pm. The art show at the bank will continue Friday, October 21st from 10am to 8pm and Saturday, October 22nd from 9am to 8pm. This show will feature the work of several regionally and nationally known artists and fine craftsmen. The 'Art Bank' is free and open to the public.

On Friday, October 21st, the Osage Nation Museum will host 'Night at the Museum', an outdoor movie night. The museum will show the movie 'A Night at the Museum'. Popcorn and snow cones will be available free of charge. Ah Tha Tse Catering will have a food stand set up on site and will be selling homemade food items. The Osage Nation Museum will also be open during this fun event. Gates open at 7:30pm and the movie starts at 8:00pm. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and snacks and enjoy an outdoor movie at the oldest tribal museum in the United States.

On Saturday the fun really picks up with events scheduled throughout the day. From sidewalk art contests for all ages to 'Saddles, Spurs and Sculptures', the Ben Johnson Memorial fundraising chuck wagon dinner/dance; there are plenty of activities.

From 8:30am to 9:30am, visitors can visit the 'Registration Station' outside of the 'Art Bank' for the 'Finding Pawhuska' scavenger hunt. Participants will be given a passport with clues to 14 historical locations in Pawhuska. The first player to finish the hunt by visiting all 14 locations and having his 'passport' stamped will receive the first prize of \$500, second \$300 and third \$200. The scavenger hunt will end at 12:00pm.

Guests may also register for a 'Sidewalk Chalk Art Contest' from 8:30am to 9:30am at the 'Registration Station' outside of the 'Art Bank'. There will be three categories, age 5 to 13 (first prize \$50), 14 to 17 (first prize \$150.00) and Adult (17 and over first prize of \$500.00). Sidewalks will be marked for each artist to work in with chalk provided. Artists will have from 9:30am to 3:00pm to complete their works with the theme 'The Real West'.

Tallgrass Art Gallery will sponsor an outdoor 'en plein air' (*French for "open in full air"*) painting contest from 9:30am to 3:00pm, with registration from 8:30am to 9:30am. Artists may work in any media and any genre to create their work. All artists will need to bring their own supplies for a day of en plein air in historic Pawhuska. At the end of the event, works will be judged. A prize of \$200 will be awarded to the best portrayal of Pawhuska and a second prize of \$200 for best piece of the day. Artists may choose to sell their works that evening at 'Saddles, Spurs and Sculptures' with 70% going to the artists and 30% going to the Ben Johnson Monument.

Saturday ends with the 'Saddles, Spurs and Sculptures' chuck wagon dinner, dance and auction. Hosted by Miss Lily, the evening has an old west theme, with saloon girls, sheriffs and an art/cowboy gear auction. Tickets for this great evening in downtown Pawhuska are available for \$45 each or \$500 for a corporate table of 8. The 'Ole #1 Firehouse Tent Saloon' on Main and Kihekah will be the location for this event. Chuck wagon cooks will be cooking downtown all day to prepare the evenings meal. Guests can also view the 'Ben Johnson Memorial Project' located across the street to view the memorial and talk to the working sculptors. Tickets are available from the Prairie Dog and Tallgrass Art Gallery in downtown Pawhuska, Oklahoma, or online at www.artsintheosage.org.

Shuttles will be provided between the various event locations, the Osage Nation Museum, the Osage County Historical Society, Historic Downtown Pawhuska and the Osage Casino. This event is sponsored by the Osage Casinos, Osage Nation, Osage Nation Museum, Pawhuska Merchants Association and Tallgrass Art Gallery, and Preserving Arts in the Osage.

For more information please visit the Facebook event page:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1810817799187422/>

For more information on Pawhuska, visit www.pawhuska.org, www.artsintheosage.org or www.pawhuskachamber.com We welcome you to Pawhuska, Oklahoma, your regional destination for the arts, culture and history.

About the Osage Nation Museum

The Osage Nation Museum is the oldest tribally-owned and operated museum in the United States. The Museum opened its doors in 1938 and over the past 77 years has continued to welcome visitors from across the United States and abroad. It is the mission of the ONM to foster the education of the public about the history, traditions, and customs as well as artistic and cultural expressions of the Osage people through its exhibition and educational programs that nurture creativity and encourage active learning.

2015 brought a multitude of changes to this long standing, cultural gem of the Osage Nation. The Museum has experienced a staffing reorganization, as well as the implementation of many new construction projects. Our focus is to present the history of the Osage Nation to its audience today while looking forward to educating future generations.

The Osage Nation Museum is a welcoming place open to everyone for a cultural and educational experience. Come and visit us today!

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