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Sarpy Museum Hosts Native American Artist Steven Tamayo

Join the Sarpy County Museum on Sunday, April 24th at 2 p.m. as we hear from Native American artist, Steven Tamayo. This free event, held at the Sarpy County Museum, is open to the public. Tamayo will be talking about his exhibit, "As We Grow" on display at the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian which centers on traditional native game and toys. Tamayo will also be bringing some of these toys to the museum.

Steve Tamayo is a traditional Sicangu Lakota artist whose family originates from Milk's Camp on the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota. He studied the traditional arts of the Umonhon people under Howard Wolf and learned the importance of traditional materials, construction and the history surrounding native artifacts and powwow regalia. In 2000, Tamayo and his family moved to the Rosebud Reservation, where he further developed his understanding of Northern Plains Indian Art, earned his BFA in Fine Arts from Sínte Gleska University and taught traditional arts in the University's Lakota Studies program.

Today, Tamayo leads study and service groups on the Rosebud Reservation and travels to museums and colleges throughout the country to identify historic methods of artifact construction and preservation. He is artist-in-residence and cultural consultant at Omaha Public Schools. His most recent work includes painting buffalo robes and set design for Willie Nelson and Neil Young on the occasion of their concert for Bold Nebraska in Neligh, NE.

About the Sarpy County Museum

The Sarpy County Museum, incorporated in 1953, is committed to protecting, preserving and promoting Sarpy County's rich history. It does this by hosting a variety of free programs, archiving local records and assisting with genealogy research. The museum is generously funded by Sarpy County and continues to rely on donations from members, volunteers and community supporters. The museum is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. For more information, contact the Sarpy County Museum, 402-292-1880 or museum@sarpycountymuseum.org.