

CAMP NACO



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When Buffalo Soldiers are in the spotlight of our resources and programs, we prioritize making sure that we are committed to teaching about their *full lives*. Indeed, they were involved with a variety of military efforts, but in addition we want the community to know that the Buffalo Soldiers had families, played sports and other games, participated in religion, were involved with music, built new and changing friendships, and much more. We cannot literally step in another's shoes, but we should remember that we stand on the same soil others have stood.

To learn a little more about the full lives of the Buffalo Soldiers, check out our upcoming program on baseball at Camp Naco and beyond - I hope to see you there!

Let's do this together.

Jeremy



Jeremy Fricke

Naco Heritage Alliance

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Fellowship Program

NACO HERITAGE ALLIANCE FELLOWSHIP FOR ARTS, CULTURE, & SCHOLARSHIP

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One of the fundamental goals of the Camp Naco project is to support the Arts, Culture, and Scholarship of Naco, Bisbee, Cochise County, and the entire Borderlands. As part of the generous Mellon Foundation grant, the Naco Heritage Alliance is proud to announce the kickoff of the 2025 Naco Heritage Alliance Fellowship program.

The Naco Heritage Alliance (NHA) is seeking proposals from diverse disciplines to tell the stories of African American military service, Indigenous communities, Mexican communities, and Borderlands experiences.

Scholars and creators from various disciplines including history, written arts, visual arts, theater, music, culinary arts, printmaking, installation art, industrial arts, textile arts and media arts are invited to apply.

Projects should reflect a deep understanding of the cultural, historical, and ecological context of the Borderlands and/or Camp Naco.

To apply visit CampNacoAZ.org/fellowship. **Deadline to apply is Tuesday, April 15.**

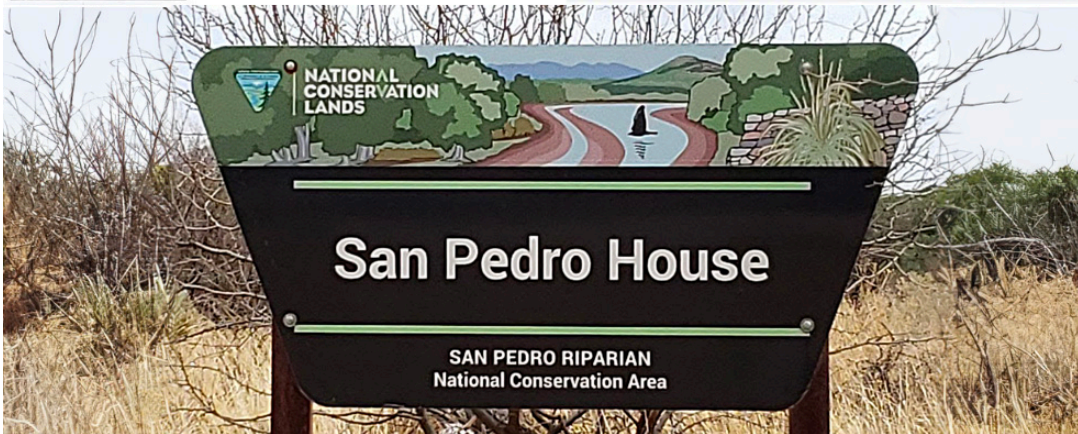
Celebrate the San Pedro!

Saturday, April 12, 9am-1pm

San Pedro House, 9800 Highway 90, Sierra Vista



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Naco Heritage Alliance board members Christine Rhodes and Becky Orozco will be representing Camp Naco at this fun-filled, free, educational day. The event features a birding challenge, nature walks, activities for kids and adults, informational displays, and speakers from 10 local organizations. For more information, view the event flyer [HERE](#).

The Original Cactus League: Baseball on the Border

Saturday, April 26, 10am-Noon

Camp Naco / Naco Elementary School



Local historian Mike Anderson will be leading a tour of the original Camp Naco baseball field, located at the corner of W. Newell Street and S. Willson Road, and sharing the history of the original Cactus League. The original Cactus League was a loose consortium of teams during the first decade and a half of the 20th Century from Bisbee, Douglas, Clifton, Morenci, Cananea, Fort Huachuca, Tucson and sometimes Naco. Afterwards, the event continues at Naco Elementary where Mike will share a presentation on historic baseball. This event is free to attend, join us!

**In Case You Missed It:
Dr. John Langellier's Fireplace Chat recording**



Last month Dr. John Langellier and Becky Orozco presented a fascinating look at life in the military in the Camp Naco era. Many thanks to the Bisbee Mining and Historical Museum for the use of their beautiful space for the event. You can watch a video of the presentation here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=turOAwXsNyU>

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