

If you haven't seen our announcements, our ads, or heard from others, the Naco Heritage Alliance Fellowship for Arts, Culture, and Scholarship is currently accepting applications! The support and excitement that we have seen for the Naco Heritage Alliance Fellowship opportunity has been inspiring and humbling.

To better accommodate those who have recently learned about this opportunity, we have extended the deadline to April 15th. This will be the only deadline extension, but we will continue to keep you informed of the process as our Evaluation Review Team makes final decisions.

Let's do this together.
Jeremy



Jeremy Fricke
Naco Heritage Alliance
Executive Director

**Fellowship Program** 



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 <u>CampNacoAZ.org/fellowship</u>. Please note our deadline had been extended to April 15.

Dr. John P. Langellier book signing: *Buffalo Soldiers* in Arizona

Saturday, March 22, Noon - 4pm Bisbee Books and Music







Please note: our Fireplace Chat at the Museum has reached capacity, but there is another great opportunity to meet the author and purchase a signed copy of his newest book. Dr. Langellier will be available from noon to 4 at Bisbee Books and Music, located in the Mercantile on Main. Be sure to stop by!

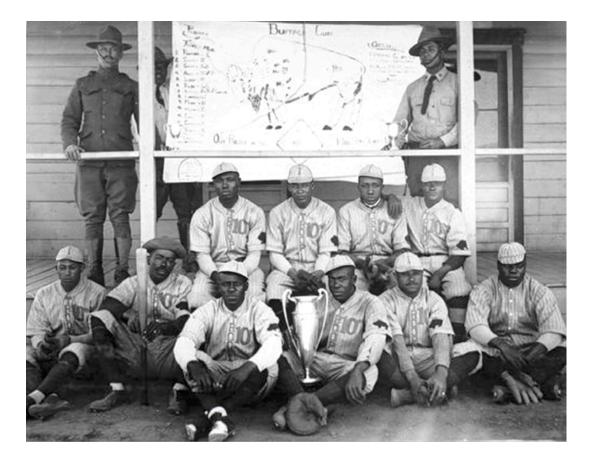
In 1881, the first Buffalo Soldiers arrived in Arizona pursuing elusive Apaches. Over the following decades, African Americans from the Tenth U.S. Cavalry and Twenty-Fourth and Twenty-Fifth Infantry added to the laurels won by the Ninth U.S. Cavalrymen. For more than six decades, Black soldiers served with honor, from campaigns against determined Native Americans to facing dangers along the turbulent border as the Mexican Revolution raged. During the dark days of World War II, they prepared for combat against foes both abroad and at home. All the while, they faced an ever-present, persistent enemy: racism. Author John P. Langellier brings to life the rich history of Buffalo Soldiers in the Copper State.

Contractors Open House Tuesday, March 25 from 11am – 2pm Bisbee Council Chambers - 915 S. Tovreaville Rd.



In collaboration with the Naco Heritage Alliance, the City of Bisbee, and Durazo Construction. Find out more about upcoming opportunities at this informal event. We are seeking licensed, bonded and insured contractors in HVAC, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, roofing, painting, concrete, windows and doors, carpentry, drywall, and low voltage cabling. Free to attend, refreshments provided.

Save the Date!
The Original Cactus League
Baseball on the Border
April 26, 10am-Noon



Local historian Mike Anderson will be leading a tour of the original Camp Naco baseball field, located at the corner of W. Newell St. and S. Willson Rd., and sharing the history of the original Cactus League. Stay tuned for more information at <a href="CampNacoAZ.org">CampNacoAZ.org</a>

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.

## Site development update



Construction has begun at Camp Naco! Thanks to Durazo Construction and KE&G, work is currently underway to connect the site to water and electric service. Site preparation is expected to continue through August.

## **Naco Heritage Alliance**

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