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## New exhibition highlights uniqueness of individual Tribal Nations

OKLAHOMA CITY (May 26, 2023) – First Americans Museum (FAM) is excited to open its newest exhibition, *One Place, Many Nations: Acknowledging the 39*, Saturday, May 27, 2023, in the FAM Community Gallery. The installment takes a deep dive into the unique histories, cultures, contributions, and resilience of each of the 39 tribes that call Oklahoma home.

The newest display in the FAM Community Gallery will be on view for two years. Hands-on activities, interactive experiences, educational opportunities, and rotating objects that share cultural experiences are all features of the exhibition. FAM Community Gallery installments are free to view.

“While thirty-nine tribes call Oklahoma home and contribute to the dynamic cultural fabric found in our state, for many state citizens their unique identities and cultural histories are invisible,” said Heather Ahtone Ph.D., (Choctaw/Chickasaw), FAM Director of Curatorial Affairs. “During our first year of operation, we have learned that few state citizens are able to identify more than five tribes from memory.”

*One Place, Many Nations: Acknowledging the 39* gives repeat visitors something new to visit on a regular basis. This exhibition provides a framework for visitors to learn about each of the 39 tribes, where they came from, where they are located, and the dynamic cultural environment that makes Oklahoma a unique cultural experience.

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### About First Americans Museum

FAM's mission is to educate the broader public about the unique cultures, diversity, history and contributions of the 39 Tribal Nations in Oklahoma today. The 175,000-square-foot facility showcases state-of-the-art exhibitions in history, culture and art; live public and education programs; a full-service restaurant presenting unique Native-inspired cuisine; and a museum shop featuring one-of-a-kind hand-made items created by Oklahoma's premier Native American artists.