



Guidelines for Prospective Blog Post Authors

Overview

We provide a blog on our website to help our viewers understand the mission and programs of our foundation. Specifically, we use our blog to:

- Build our authority as the most trusted source for information about Edward S. Curtis;
- Show how our foundation is active and effective;
- Communicate a better understanding of the lives of Native Peoples today;
- Create sharable content;
- Enhance our search engine optimization efforts by adding content with diverse content.

Please review or search [previous posts on our website](#) to explore the content, interests, and writing styles of our authors.

Topics

We welcome submissions on various subjects related to our mission, including, but not limited to, insights about Edward S. Curtis and his work; research related to the publication of *The North American Indian*, and historical and current perspectives by and about Indigenous Peoples of Canada and the U.S. We are especially interested in hearing from descendants of people who Curtis photographed or otherwise met during his many travels among Native Peoples. Please [contact us](#) if you're not sure your subject fits our guidelines.

Publication Prohibitions

We explicitly prohibit:

- Adult content, including images or videos that contain explicit nudity or sexual activity;
- Harassment, bullying, or threats, including language that may engage or incite others in these activities;
- Hate Speech: any language that promotes or condones violence against others;
- Impersonation or misrepresentation of identity: do not directly or indirectly impersonate someone else or misrepresent yourself as speaking for anyone other than yourself;
- Misleading content: do not knowingly distribute content that deceives or may be related to harmful conspiracy theories;
- Advertising or selling goods or services: do not sell or advertise your own or other people's for-profit products or services (including craft items). This does not apply to information

about or links to legitimate nonprofit organizations that may provide such things separately from the context of your post;

- Images of minors: do not post images of living minors (under 18 years of age) without written consent from each child's parent, guardian, or legal representative;
- Plagiarism or publication of copyrighted materials, including links to websites where readers may find unauthorized downloads of other people's content.

The Curtis Legacy Foundation acknowledges that stories and pictures about "Indian boarding schools" may have a traumatic effect on survivors of these programs, their families, and their cultures. We will carefully review any submission relating to boarding schools and will decide on a case-by-case basis about the advisability of publication.

Our Foundation's Vision, Mission, and Values

Our Vision

We envision a nation that honors and understands North American Natives in order to enhance the lives of people everywhere.

Our Mission

We enhance awareness of North American Natives through educational initiatives, research, and publications that highlight the life and work of Edward S. Curtis while amplifying Native voices.

Our Values

Integrity: We believe in building trust with North American Native individuals and communities in everything we do by being transparent, honoring our word, and demonstrating the utmost respect.

Stewardship: We believe it is our responsibility to honor those North American Natives that came before, are among us now, and are yet to come by preserving the work of Edward Curtis.

Honor: Humanity is strengthened by valuing our differences and our similarities. When we honor diversity, a more equitable world unites in peace and understanding. Through integrity and collaboration, we wish to come to a place of honor with North American Natives.

Collaboration: Through our collective passion for storytelling, we wish to partner with North American Natives to amplify their voices by highlighting the past works of Edward Curtis and our current Descendant's Project.

Compassion: We wish to create an environment of awareness that calls us to question and explore our implicit biases more deeply. We must strive to see the world through the eyes of North American Natives before we judge, act, or even pretend to understand.

Publication Process

Interested authors are invited to submit a brief email proposal (no more than one page) outlining the topic they would like to address. If you have previous writing experience, please provide one or two examples or a list of links to online publications.

A committee of foundation board members will review all submitted writing to assure its adherence to our standards. Proposals will be considered as expeditiously as possible, but a decision may take two to four weeks depending on other commitments by our all-volunteer board.

Publication Rate

Blog post contributors are independent contractors hired by the Curtis Legacy Foundation for distinct writing projects. They are not employees of the foundation or otherwise entitled to speak on behalf of the foundation.

We pay \$0.12 (twelve cents) per word, not including post titles, footnotes, photo captions, and the author's biographical information, up to a maximum of 2,750 words per post. Payment is made within twenty-one days after the publication of the post.

Questions and Proposal Submissions

Please contact us at info@curtislegacyfoundation.org.