



**ZIIBIWING CENTER**  
*of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways*

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## **The Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways Opens New Exhibition**

**Mt. Pleasant, Michigan** – “*Standing Rock Solid: An Artistic Response to Threats to Our Land & Life*” is a mixed-media exhibition of contemporary North American Indian artists illuminating the destruction and desecration of our Mother Earth. From the mountain of Mauna Kea in Hawaii to Standing Rock, North Dakota to Michigan’s Kalamazoo River, Line 5, Nestle water piracy, and the Detroit and Flint water crises, people from all walks of life today are advocating and mobilizing to protect Mother Earth. This new exhibition explores our current environmental realities and opens to the public on Earth Day, Saturday, April 22, 2017 at 12pm.

Artists from Arizona to Ontario have contributed artworks that include: drawings, film, paintings, poetry, and textiles. The art addresses the pipelines, open-pit mining, and water piracy for commodification; however, some of the artwork honors the Earth and all of Creation. This gathering of contemporary artwork that spans many ages, genres, mediums, and Tribes is the first of its kind in Michigan that focuses on these very important environmental issues.

“*Standing Rock Solid: An Artistic Response to Threats to Our Land & Life*” is open to the public at the Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways until September 30, 2017. This exhibition is complimentary with the purchase of an admission to the *Diba Jimooyung: Telling Our Story* permanent exhibition. The Ziibiwing Center can be reached directly by calling (989) 775-4750.

The Ziibiwing Center of Anishinabe Culture & Lifeways located at 6650 East Broadway in Mount Pleasant, Mich. is the Midwest’s Premier American Indian Museum. Established in 2004, the Ziibiwing Center is a distinctive treasure created to provide an enriched, diversified and culturally relevant educational experience through its award-winning Diba Jimooyung (Telling Our Story) permanent exhibit, changing exhibits, research center, Ojibwe language immersion room, gift shop, and meeting rooms. The Ziibiwing Center is a non-profit cultural center and museum belonging to the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan who also owns the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort and the Saganing Eagle’s Landing Casino located in Standish, Mich.

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