

Northern Plains History and Cultures

How Do Native People and Nations Experience Belonging?



Making of Relatives, 2012. By Lauren Good Day Giago (Arikara/Hidatsa/Plains Cree), Bismarck, North Dakota. NMAI 269023

This piece recalls the Making of Relatives Ceremony that in the past was a way of making peace among the Lakota and other tribes. More specifically, it depicts Giago, the artist, and her husband, who is Oglala Lakota, ceremonially adopting a relative's daughter.