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92 YEAR-OLD NATIVE AMERICAN ART COLLECTOR AND HISTORIAN BRINGS WORLD-RENOWNED COLLECTION TO PEABODY MUSEUM



Coral necklace with sterling silver and gold by Leonard Nez (Navajo).
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The Irma Bailey Native American Arts and Crafts Show and Sale October 2–5, 2008

Show and Sale:

October 2–October 5, 2008
Open 9–5 daily
Free

Where:

Peabody Museum of Archaeology
and Ethnology
Harvard University
11 Divinity Ave.
Cambridge, Massachusetts

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617-496-1027 Public Information

(Cambridge, September 29, 2008) The Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology presents the much-anticipated annual show and sale of collector Irma Bailey's arts and crafts. This year Irma will select some of the finest Native American-crafted silver and turquoise jewelry, baskets, ceramics and rugs

to offer at the Peabody Museum, handmade work that is rarely displayed in the Northeast. Through her long-standing relationships with Native American artists from her home base in Albuquerque, Irma has brought the best of the Southwest to New England for nearly thirty years. The show will include antique and contemporary works by Hopi, Navajo, Pueblo, and Zuni artists. Many of the artists have works in galleries and museums all over the world. Featured among them will be award-winning silversmith Leonard Nez (Navajo) and jewelers Delbert and Torevia Crespin (Pueblo of Santo Domingo), who create traditional bead necklaces of turquoise, jet, pipestone, shell and inlays. Gilbert “Dino” Garcia (also from the Pueblo of Santo Domingo) carves molds in tufa rock, then casts silver and gold jewelry in the molds. Because the tufa molds break when “Dino” removes the metal casting, each piece is one of a kind. The show opens Thursday October 2, 2008 and will remain open through Sunday, October 5, 2008.



Irma Bailey (Photo: Jose Falconi)

About the Peabody Museum

The Peabody Museum is among the oldest archaeological and ethnographic museums in the world with one of the finest collections of human cultural history found anywhere. It is home to superb materials from Africa, ancient Europe, North America, Mesoamerica, Oceania, and South America in particular. In addition to its archaeological and ethnographic holdings, the Museum’s photographic archives, one of the largest of its kind, hold more than 500,000 historical photographs, dating from the mid-19th century to the present and chronicling anthropology, archaeology, and world culture.

Location: *The Peabody Museum is located at 11 Divinity Avenue in Cambridge. The Museum is a short walk from the Harvard Square MBTA station.*

Hours: 9 AM to 5 PM, 7 days a week. The Museum is closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year’s Day. Admission is \$9.00 for adults, \$7.00 for students and seniors, \$6.00 for children, 3-18. Free with Harvard ID or Museum membership. The museum is free to Massachusetts residents Sundays, 9 AM to noon, year round, and Wednesdays from 3 PM to 5 PM (September to May). Admission includes admission to the Harvard Museum of Natural History. For more information call (617)496-1027 or go online to: www.peabody.harvard.edu.

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