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El Paso Museum of Archaeology Presents "Colors of the Past – Traditional Native American Dyeing in the Southwest"

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EL PASO, Texas—The City of El Paso Museum of Archaeology invites the community to the opening of its new pop-up exhibit, "Colors of the Past -Traditional Native American Dyeing in the Southwest" on view beginning July 12.

The exhibit features an overview of Native American fibers, dyeing techniques, and the changes resulting from the arrival of Spanish colonizers to the U.S. Southwest region such as substituting cotton for wool. The Spanish also provided access to new dyes, imported from the south, that enhanced colors and designs created by the Southwestern people.

The narrative of the exhibit closes with the arrival of American-European settlers during the mid-1800s and the final change brought with them of commercial yarns and dyers to the Pueblo world.

The exhibit is on view through December 2, 2023. For more information on the El Paso Museum of Archaeology, visit www.EPMArch.org.

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