

A HOLT HAMILTON FILM

MORE THAN FRYBREAD

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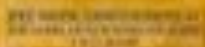


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HOLT HAMILTON PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS "MORE THAN FRYBREAD" STARRING LARIANKA MEANS, CAMILLE MERRIFORS,
 TERESA M. LAGOSOLA, TET & WIFE GOMEZ, JENNIFER L. JOSEPH, JAMES BLAGRODY, J.W. WASHINGTON, MARIAN TITLA,
 "YOUNG" TONY SWEALY, "OLD" KYLE HANSON, "MIDNIGHT" LEWIS MERRERA, "MAMA" TRAVIS HAMILTON,
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The Synopsis

It is the clash of the 21st Century, as frybread makers compete for the first ever, first annual, state of Arizona Frybread Championship! Twenty-two Native American frybread makers, representing all twenty-two tribes in Arizona, convene together under one roof to see who is the State's best frybread maker. The film takes a larger than life turn in the final round as the four finalist battle for pride, prize money and a trip to the National World Wide Frybread Association Championship in New York City. This is the hottest contest on earth, leaving audiences truly LOL and hungry for some fantastic frybread!

Meet Director Holt Hamilton

Travis Holt Hamilton is one of a very small handful of filmmakers, if not the only one, who continues to make successful contemporary Native American pictures outside the Hollywood system. He wrote his first full-length feature film while deployed in a combat zone with the United States Military in the Middle East. When he returned home fifteen months later, he went to work to do whatever it took, legally and ethically, to turn his script into a film. Four years later he released the Navajo hit film "Turquoise Rose" to an approving world audience. The film continues to win the hearts of audiences around the world today.

Determined to keep moving forward with a real world filmmaking education, he quickly wrote and produced his second and third feature films; "Blue Gap Boyz" (2008) and "Pete & Cleo" (2010), which gave him additional insights into the moviemaking and distributing world of motion pictures.

Hamilton brings all of his past film experiences and determination to the plate in his newest award winning film "More Than Frybread" (2012).

Why a movie about Frybread?

"I wanted to make a movie that gave us an excuse to shoot on numerous reservations and make new friends. I thought frybread was a good thing that had the potential to bring people together. I didn't realize how big frybread really was, so we're getting people from all over the U.S. and Canada wanting to see the film." The film, which Hamilton wrote in 2008 and produced in 12 days across five reservations in the western U.S., premiered on the Gila River reservation and made its mainstream debut in theaters in Gallup and Farmington, NM. "I have journeyed across Native America and when it comes to frybread, a lot of my friends claim their tribe or grandma makes the best bread. I wondered why there wasn't a competition... It was a fun idea." That fun idea is now a reality, as Travis' journey's now find him delivering his "More Than Frybread" film to a hungry audience across North America.

Film Info

Release: 2012

MPAA Rating: PG

Length: 93 minutes

Exhibition Formats: DCP, Blu-ray, DVD

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Meet the Cast



James Bilagody, the “MC of AZ”, is a very talented Navajo musician and comedian. He accepted his first acting role in Hamilton’s 2008 film “Blue Gap Boyz”. A favorite among both the film crew and the audience, James looks forward to a bright future in motion pictures.



Tatanka Means, (Navajo/Oglala Lakota/Omaha) is a professional actor, stand-up comedian and motivational speaker. Son of famous actor Russell Means, Tatanka notched his first lead role in a feature film as hip-hopping Navajo bread champ Buddy Begaye.



Dey & Nite Gomez, (Arapaho), have travelled the world singing alongside pop sensations Hilary Duff and Paula Deanda, also adding many other live performances of their own on major stages across North America. The identical twin duo have certainly created a splash across the music scene, and now in their acting debut bring their sparkling personalities to the big screen in “More Than Frybread”. Representing the Yavapai Apache tribe, the twins expand their horizons in Hamilton’s latest feature film, and look forward to their next casting call.



Camille Nighthorse, a member of Northern Arizona’s Hualapai nation, takes on her first lead role as an actress. Previously she acted in TNT’s mini-series “Into the West”, and has many years of production experience as a creative director and talent scout in entertainment fields.



Mary Kim Titla, (San Carlos Apache), former AZ news reporter, found herself right at home playing Tracey Lightning and covering the State Frybread Championship. As a journalist, politician & supporter of Native youth, MK greatly inspires people on & off the screen.



Teresa M. Choyguha, (Tohono O’odham), a popular MC for a variety of Southwestern events, makes her film debut as her tribe’s surly frybread master. Her career as a stand-up comic shines through as her Native humor delivers big laughs for movie audiences everywhere.



Jennifer Joseph, the Hopi nation’s beloved radio host at KUYI, ventured onto the movie scene as Betty Muchvo, the Hopi Frybread Champion. Fully embracing her role as the Hopi beauty and frybread queen, she now captures the hearts of audiences across many nations.



Joe Washington, (Shawnee/Choctaw), steps up boldly in his first acting role in a feature film. Developing his love for acting for many years in Navajo community theaters, Joe leads the way as Donathan Littlehair, president of the Arizona Chapter of the WWFA.



“...REMARKABLE FILM” ...
“LAUGHTER erupted
THROUGHOUT the showing”

- Indian Country Today, Jack McNeel



When Marlene Begay emerged from the premiere of "More Than Frybread" at the Aztec 5 Theatre on Friday, she was laughing hysterically. “IT WAS HILARIOUS!” she said, rating the film “MUST-SEE.”

- Navajo Times, Alastair Lee Bitsoi

“Had me LAUGHING to TEARS”
... “will have your stomach sore by
the time the end credits appear”

- Reznet News, Sunnie Clahchischiligi



“HILARIOUS!”

- Sedona International
Film Festival, Sagan
Lewis -Program Director

"The movie is sure to be a winner
among American Indians who still
love to eat a piece of frybread at
every powwow or community
gathering."

- Native News Network, Levi Rickert,
editor-in-chief in Entertainment

