Guest Curator Position
The Mitchell Museum of the American Indian seeks a guest curator for an upcoming exhibit planned for 2022 that will feature photographs by the late American photographer Edward S. Curtis, contrasted with contemporary art, imagery, and portraits by Native photographers and artists. This approach will reexamine Curtis's significant yet controversial prints and highlight the inaccurate portrayal of Native American cultures from Eurocentric perspectives. The guest curator will engage and collaborate with Native American photographers, artists, and curators to explore these themes from their perspectives, re-centering the narrative back through the lens of Native people.

Duties
The guest curator will help identify and select contemporary Native American artists and photographers who have used visual storytelling to address the invisibility and misrepresentation of Indigenous peoples and utilized imagery to showcase present-day Native American life. This role requires collaborating with the Mitchell Museum leadership, staff, and selected artists. The chosen guest curator is not required to reside in the Chicagoland area but must travel for the installation and opening of the exhibit. Candidates must have the ability to participate remotely and in-person to:

- Solicit artists to be featured and select participants in the exhibition
- Determine exhibition checklist
- Assist with the layout and installation of the exhibition
- Research and write exhibit content and label copy
- Present at the opening reception and other promotional events.

Qualifications
The ideal candidate should have relevant experience or education in art history, visual arts, or museum studies. Knowledge of contemporary Native American arts and familiarity with Native American communities, cultures, and social issues is required. Candidates should have past curatorial experience and strong writing skills.

How to Apply
Please send a cover letter stating your interest, resume, and samples/portfolio to Kim Vigue, Executive Director, Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, at kimvigue@mitchellmuseum.org.

About the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian
The Mitchell Museum of the American Indian is one of only a handful of museums across the country that focuses exclusively on the art, history, and culture of American Indian and First Nation peoples from throughout the United States and Canada. The Museum was founded by John and Betty Seabury-Mitchell, who donated their personal collection to Kendall College in 1977.