



# MAPS MEDIA INSTITUTE

## Organizational One Sheet

### HISTORY & MISSION...

Established in 2004 in rural southwestern Montana, MAPS is a 501c3 educational nonprofit with a mission to empower, inspire, and prepare Montana's youth for future success through professional media arts instruction, engaging community service, and compassionate mentoring.

"MAPS" stands for Media Arts in the Public Schools, our original name before becoming a 501c3 nonprofit.

### YOUTH SERVED...

We primarily work with youth ages 13 to 18 with specific workshops including young adults 18 to 24.



### PROGRAMS...

We offer year-round classes at our brick-and-mortar studios in Ravalli and Lewis & Clark Counties, as well as satellite workshops in tribal and rural communities across Montana. All programming is completely free-of-charge to youth and families.

### CLASSES...

Classes offered include audio, film, future readiness, graphic design, music production, new technologies, photojournalism, and podcasting.



### YEAR-ROUND AFTERSCHOOL & SUMMER PROGRAMS...

- MAPS Studio Ravalli (Hamilton): est. 2004
- MAPS Studio Lewis & Clark (Helena): est. 2019

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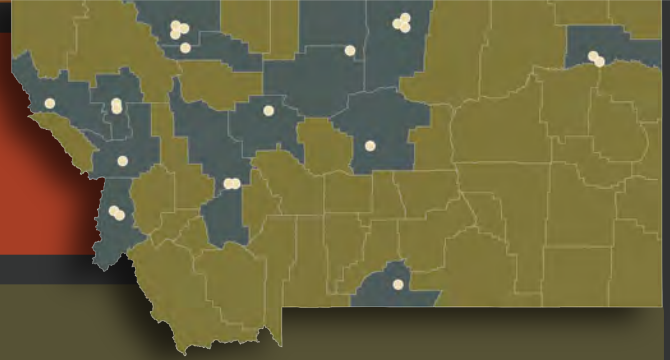
## MAPS MEDIA LAB PROGRAM...

Statewide Educational Outreach Program in which MAPS artist-educators-mentors bring professional equipment and curriculums to tribal communities and rural towns to facilitate specifically designed media arts workshops with youth.

## MAPS PROGRAMS & PROJECT SITES...

## CLIENT-BASED PROJECTS...

Provide Real World Learning opportunities for MAPS students to share their skills and creative talents on media projects for nonprofits and small businesses that work to make Montana healthier, stronger, and connected.



## RECENT AWARDS...

**2023:** Board of Governor's Award, National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences, NW Chapter (NATAS NW)  
The highest award a local chapter of the Academy can bestow. It is given for outstanding and unique accomplishments or for achievements of some duration and durability. MAPS received an Emmy™ Statuette.



**2023:** Trailblazer in Diversity Award: NATAS NW

**2019:** National High School Student Production Award, National NATAS

**2017:** National Arts and Humanities Youth Programs Award, the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, and the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies. This honor is awarded to the top 12 creative youth organizations in the country.

**2015 - PRESENT:** over 30 regional student production awards and screenings at regional film festivals

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT...

MAPS is informed, strengthened and generously supported by Tribal Councils, Federal/State agencies, public school districts, private foundations, community based organizations, MAPS alumni and current students/families. These various perspectives are core to MAPS reputation in individual communities (Indigenous, rural, and underserved) across Montana and within a broader national community.

Tribal Councils, Tribal Historic Preservation Offices and Cultural Leaders (Blackfeet Nation, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, Fort Belknap Indian Community, Fort Peck Indian Community).

Federal & State Agencies: MT Arts Council, MT Cultural Trust, MT Film Office, MT Office of Public Instruction, MT Office of Tourism, MT Public Value Partnership, National Endowment for the Arts, Tribal Student Achievement, Relations and Resiliency Department of the MT OPI, WESTAF, U.S. Department of Education.

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MT Public School Partners: Boulder, Brockton, Browning, Corvallis, Darby, East Helena, Frazer, Hamilton, Harlem, Helena, Polson, Poplar, Ronan, St. Ignatius, Stevensville, Thompson Falls, Victor, Wolf Point.

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