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**UM TO HOST FORUM ON ANTHROPOLOGIST'S STUDIES OF NATIVE CULTURE**  
**MISSOULA —**

The University of Montana will host a forum titled “Language, Landscape and Identity: What Abraham Maslow Missed About Blackfoot Culture” at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 12, in James E. Todd Building Room 204.

The event, which is free and open to the public, will feature researchers Narcisse Blood and Ryan Heavy Head of the Kanai Studies Program at Red Crow College, located on the Blood Reserve in Alberta, Canada. Blood and Heavy Head will discuss their research on anthropologist Abraham Maslow, who developed his “hierarchy of human needs” after studying the North Blackfoot culture in the 1930s. Their presentation will focus on what Maslow missed about the images and culture of the Blackfoot Nation.

The forum will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the showing of the film “KAAHSINOONIKSI: If the Land Could Speak and We Could Listen.” Blood and Heavy Head will follow with their presentation, “Maslow Revisited,” at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

The forum is sponsored by UM’s social work, Native American studies and psychology departments, as well as the Office of the Tribal Liaison, the Regional Learning Project, Continuing Education and American Indian Student Services.

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