

360: So it's been an age since we last spoke. Where does the time go?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · May 5
Just interviewed with a big newspaper reporter who first saw me speak when she was in high school. Time is a relentless beast.

360: How old are you now, Sherm?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Jun 10
I'm not that far away from becoming a tribal elder. Best part about that: I'll get to eat first at the feasts!

360: How old is that, exactly?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Mar 12
Last night, in Orange County, I was asked, "How long have you been in the United States?" I said, "Oh, around 45,000 years."



360: You do quite a lot of touring these days. Does all the travel ever get you down?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Mar 14
How do we Natives stay sane when we have to fly into airports named after John-effing-Wayne?

360: Any other destinations you try to avoid?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Apr 6
You know, it's odd to be the Native American named Sherman while visiting Atlanta.

360: Favorite place to visit?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · May 25
Heading to Albuquerque to hang out with all of you brown-skinned book nerds! I love Albuquerque!

360: There you go — what more could you ask?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · May 19
My flight attendant is wearing French Toast perfume or naturally smells like French Toast or just ate tons of French Toast. I'm in love!

360: Being famous has its perks. Are you often recognized?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Apr 6
Person on airplane next to me keeps sighing loudly, trying to bait me into conversation. But I'll remain strong & ignore the sighs!

360: So you're saying — excepting us — you generally find fans that try to engage you to be an annoyance?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Apr 19
Sometimes, when asked for my signature, I scream, "I ain't signing your treaty." And then I get asked to leave that IHOP.

360: Do you keep up on the works of other popular authors? Are you a fan, for example, of the Harry Potter series?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Mar 18
White people pretending to have spirit animals is my new spirit animal.

360: As a writer, do you find inspiration everywhere you look?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Mar 25
When it comes to mountain climbing, I rely on my grandmother's ancient indigenous advice: "Stay the ---- off the mountain!"

360: What else do you do in your down time to relax and connect with nature?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Apr 17
A beautiful Seattle April day causing people to wear summer clothes way too early. Shivering white folks everywhere.

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In November, an odd coalition of brown people, white liberal women & appx 5 million moderate Republicans will save us from Trump.

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Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Mar 31
The only drama in November will be if Trump supporters riot when he loses by 274 (or more) electoral votes.

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Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Jun 9
Don't you love it when the meeting you were already late for gets cancelled by the other person running even later?

360: Are the valleys off limits, too? Do you ever get out on the river?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Mar 31
I don't know how to swim. When people insist they can teach me, I think, "Aquatic murder plot."

360: Well there are ways to relax in the city, of course.

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Apr 24
The Sedona, Arizona, Starbuck's doesn't have wi-fi so customers can 'unplug' & 'enjoy.' The healing vortexes are EVERYWHERE.

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IF YOU GO
WHO: Sherman Alexie
WHEN: 7 tonight
WHERE: Kenworthy Performing Arts Centre, 508 S. Main St., Moscow
COST: Free
OF NOTE: Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Priority seating will be offered to those with receipts showing they purchased copies of Alexie's books at BookPeople of Moscow, which is sponsoring the event.



The royal tweetment

When favorite author **Sherman Alexie** didn't take our calls did that stop us? Heck no. Only the best for our readers. Catch up on his Twitter feed now; hear him for real tonight

BY INLAND 360 STAFF

Before Sherman Alexie hit Moscow on tour for his latest book, we at Inland 360 tried, yet again, to secure an interview with the well-known Seattle author who has stiffed our writers in the past.

An interview request sent to the publisher of his latest work, the picture book "Thunder Boy Jr.," went unanswered, and we sadly wondered, what gold nuggets of knowledge did our readers miss out on with this latest cold shoulder?

But, really, what questions could we have asked that hordes of journalists haven't already annoyed the National Book Award winner with over his more than 20-year career that spans from the Spokane Indian Reservation to international fame?

Then we realized we didn't actually need Alexie to answer our questions when we have his witty and biting Twitter feed at our fingertips. We selected some of our favorite Alexie tweets that show life in 2016 from his point of view.

Note: 360 has edited any tweeted profanity with hyphens.

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360: Thank goodness for diversity, eh?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · May 24
Any poll of Native Americans contains 10% Native Americans & 90% "My grandma said we have some Indian in our blood."

360: What else did grandma have wrong?

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Apr 20
The Oreo Cookie ripped off the Hydrox Cookie, not the other way around. Get your colonial cookie history correct.



360: Does the future of this great nation concern you as much as the inaccuracies of the past and present?

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Trump is an awful human being. But he'd only be the 4th or 5th most awful human ever elected to be President.

360: So there's no truth to rumors you have a Trump tattoo? Any other ink? 360 is planning a story on tat regrets, and we'd be honored to print your story.

Sherman Alexie @Sherman_Alexie · Apr 25
I don't regret that my lower back tattoo is all of the white actors from "Dances With Wolves."

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