

November-Native American Heritage Month



OPENING CEREMONY

By Michael Gabbard (Delaware)

THURSDAY, NOV. 5, 11 A.M.
Grandmother Earth's Garden
Memorial Union West Entrance
Rain Site: Memorial Union Hidatsa room

Share in the rich traditions of North Dakota at this year's opening ceremony. Hear tribal leaders give oral narrations about their home communities.

Petra One Hawk
Standing Rock

Gabe Brien
Turtle Mountain

Michael Yellow Bird
Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara

TRIBAL NATIONS RESEARCH GROUP, DATA TO KNOWLEDGE IN NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITIES

Anita Frederick (Turtle Mountain)
President, Tribal Nations Research Group

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18, 1-2 P.M.
Memorial Union Mandan room

Learn how Tribal Nations Research Group, a tribal 501c3, is building the infrastructure for the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, an infrastructure that encourages tribe specific, relevant research and how Native American Communities can use these results to inform change.

SPIRIT LAKE TRIBE AND NATIVE AMERICAN PEOPLE

Erich Longie (Spirit Lake Dakota)
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

THURSDAY, NOV. 19, 10-11 A.M.
Memorial Union Hidatsa room

Learn about Spirit Lake and Native American history, including language, family structure, customs and traditions.

AMERICAN INDIAN PUBLIC HEALTH IN NORTH DAKOTA

Hannah Blue (Diné)
Vanessa Tibbitts (Oglala Lakota)
Ruth Buffalo (Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara)
Melanie Nadeau (Turtle Mountain)
Staff members of the NDSU American Indian
Public Health Resource Center

FRIDAY, NOV. 20, NOON-1 P.M.
Memorial Union Hidatsa room

The panelists will describe their work with tribes in North Dakota.

POETRY READING AND OPEN MIC NIGHT

Hannah Blue (Diné),
Tanaya Winder (Southern Ute, Shoshone, Paiute),
Pearl Walker (Standing Rock/White Earth Ojibwe)
Denise Lajimodiere (Turtle Mountain)

FRIDAY, NOV. 20, 7-8:30 P.M.
Memorial Union Mandan room

Hear poems from four Native American poets. There will be an open mic following the readings. Tanaya Winder's new book, "Words Like Love," was released September 2015.

VIDEO PRESENTATION - ND NATIVE AMERICAN ESSENTIAL UNDERSTANDINGS

Lucy K. Fredericks
North Dakota Indian Education Director,
Bismarck, N.D.

MONDAY, NOV. 23, 10-11:30 A.M.
Memorial Union Hidatsa room

Fredericks will discuss "Native American Essential Understandings, Teachings of our Elders," a video and website of the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction.

NO FRACKING WAY

Carol Davis (Turtle Mountain)
Senior Associate, Tribal Nations Research Group
Robert Shimek (Red Lake) Director, Native Harvest

MONDAY, NOV. 23, 3-4 P.M.
Memorial Union Rose room

Members from the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa joined hands to assure that fracking would not happen on the Turtle Mountain Reservation. With Chippewa culture and traditional teachings as their guide, they met with the tribal council, who banned fracking by tribal resolution in 2011. Three years later, the tribal council passed a new Water Act, which they wrote, that protects tribal waters into perpetuity from fracking and other pollutants.

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