



INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

PRESENTATION SCHEDULE • OCTOBER 12, 2020

9 AM » Traditional Prayer

Traditional Prayer: Dorothy Denetsosie Gishie, Dine'; NACA, Inc. and Indigenous Circle of Flagstaff

Land Acknowledgment: Rose Toehe, Dine' and Ute; Coordinator for Indigenous Initiatives, City of Flagstaff

IPD Proclamation: Mayor Coral Evans, City of Flagstaff



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10 AM » The Lasting Indigenous Family Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) Program

Provide community information on NACA's Lasting Indigenous Family Enrichment (L.I.F.E.) program and plans for next year. The program focus is on Indigenous gardening. Planting Indigenous seeds and utilizing the 3 sisters gardening technique. L.I.F.E. program strives to encourage healthy lifestyles for the prevention of Diabetes and Chronic Disease through holistic tribal practices. The program offers community activities to empower Indigenous culture, ignite intergenerational connection, increase individual resilience, and strengthen one's sense of belonging.

Presenters:

Carrie Dallas, Navajo/Lakota/Hopi/Pima; LIFE Program Coordinator, NACA, Inc.

Shonri Begay, Tohono O'odham and Navajo; LIFE Program Health Educator, NACA, Inc.



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11 AM » Re-Matriating Leadership and Nation Building: Illuminating the Path Ahead of Us

This panel presentation will deepen understanding of cultural matriarchal leadership from the perspectives of three Indigenous women who are leaders and advocates for wellness and healing in their community. How is their leadership in their current work informed

by ancestral knowledge and what does 'rematriating leadership' mean for the future? Panelists will provide their thoughts on how this understanding will enrich collaboration with non-Indigenous allies and leaders to create healthier and more equitable communities.

Presenters:

Carmenlita Chief, Navajo; Senior Research Coordinator, Center for Health Equity Research, NAU

Darrien Benally, Navajo; Community Organizer, Indigenous Circle of Flagstaff

Jandi Craig, CoDził łigai Si'an Ndee (White Mountain Apache) & Xicana; Co-Coordinator, Continental Network of Indigenous Women of the Americas

Candida Hunter, Hualapai Tribe; Senior Director of Tribal Affairs, First Things First



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12 PM » A Critical View of Criminal Justice Responses to Alcohol Use Among Indigenous People: A Historical and Contemporary View of Flagstaff

Our team presentation will cover the topic of how Flagstaff criminal justice systems have responded to alcohol use among Indigenous people over the course of several decades. First, we will present findings from the 1976 Civil Rights Report on Flagstaff. Then, we will discuss how alcohol use among Indigenous people in Flagstaff has been the target of criminal justice responses and bias characterizations since that time period. Finally, we will discuss the current responses by the Flagstaff Police Department, criminal courts, and jail to alcohol use among Indigenous people.

Presenters:

Joe Washington, Shawnee and Choctaw;

Wendy White, J.D., Atty., English and German descent; Executive Director, Southwest Center for Equal Justice

Travis Pinn, MA, Mi'kmaq descendant, Province of Nova Scotia, Canada



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1 PM » Indigenous Perspectives on Snowbowl and the Peaks

Indigenous presenters will provide information and perspectives in the hope that Flagstaff citizens and city employees—our neighbors and relatives—can better understand our love and reverence for the San Francisco Peaks, and the history behind our legal and political efforts to honor the wisdom and care that live there.

Presenters:

Mona Polacca, Havasupai/Hopi/Tewa; Founding member of the International Council of Thirteen Indigenous Grandmothers
Shawn Mulford, Diné.

Chris Jocks, Kahnawake Mohawk; Member, Indigenous Circle of Flagstaff; Faculty, Applied Indigenous Studies, NAU



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2 PM » Cultural Fire Management in Northern California

The Cultural Fire Management Council facilitates burning on the Yurok Reservation and Ancestral lands, which will lead to a healthier ecosystem for all plants and animals, long term fire protection for residents, and provide a platform that will in turn support the traditional hunting and gathering activities of Yurok. Elizabeth

is responsible for logistics and permitting. She is also a cultural practitioner, gathering and propagating traditional food and medicine plants.

Presenters:

Elizabeth Azzuz, Yurok and Karuk descent; Cultural Fire Management Council, Board of Directors

Neil Chapman, French and East European (Austria and Belarus) descent; Forest Health Supervisor, Watershed Protection Project Manager, City of Flagstaff Fire Department



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3 PM » Pre-contact Recipes for a Modern Time

Discussion and recipe demonstration using ingredients and from before Spanish/European contact with the Southwest region, including a family style stew, showcase of a type of bread and a nutritious beverage made using corn. All recipes can be duplicated in a modern kitchen with ingredients from any health food/ethnic store/farmer's market.

Presenter: Somana Tootsie, Hopi; Owner, Somana's Traditional Catering



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REGISTRATION:

Please provide your name, email, phone number, and the presentation(s) you will be attending to Rose Toehe, Coordinator for Indigenous Initiatives, at rose.toehe@flagstaffaz.gov. Thank you.

