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One time I was told, "If you believe in these ceremonies, act like it." This statement changed my life. Not only did it scold me, but it also molded me. It allowed me to take a serious look at the difference between personal belief and personal behavior.

These days, our ceremonies are more serious and scarce than ever. It's alarming to realize we are raising generations of many young people who only look at the top layer of ceremonies. But it's not only the youth. Many adults are just as guilty. Some people use ceremonial gatherings to be well known, show off, judge others, or even show up just to spy on one another. Some even go so far as to use ceremonies as dating scenes. This kind of behavior is disappointing and embarrassing because it offers a huge slap in the face to those elders who actually fought, prayed and sacrificed themselves for its true purpose.

Today ask yourself, "Am I behaving in a manner that respects my belief? Do I bring humility to ceremonial settings? Or am I in it to show off?"

Ceremonies hold immense responsibilities. They teach us ultimate accountability thru our daily lives. Ceremonies teach us humble appreciation for life. They also teach us how to be absolutely loyal to our spouses, family and nature.

Let us take a moment to adjust our behavior and line it up with our beliefs. We can't be humble with positive expressions during a ceremony, yet go home and be rude to our spouses or families. This disconnection compromises the sacredness of our intentions.

I've been fortunate enough to be raised around some strict spiritual people. They were not from this generation. They weren't concerned with ceremonial selfies, infidelity, jealousy, or even the need to be seen. These old folks were simple and powerful because all they had was prayer and truthful purpose.

As we enter our ceremonies this spring and summer, let us straighten up our attitudes and behavior. We know better. And if you're not willing to straighten up, then step aside and let the accountable ones handle it.

The lesson: Don't explain your philosophy. Embody it.

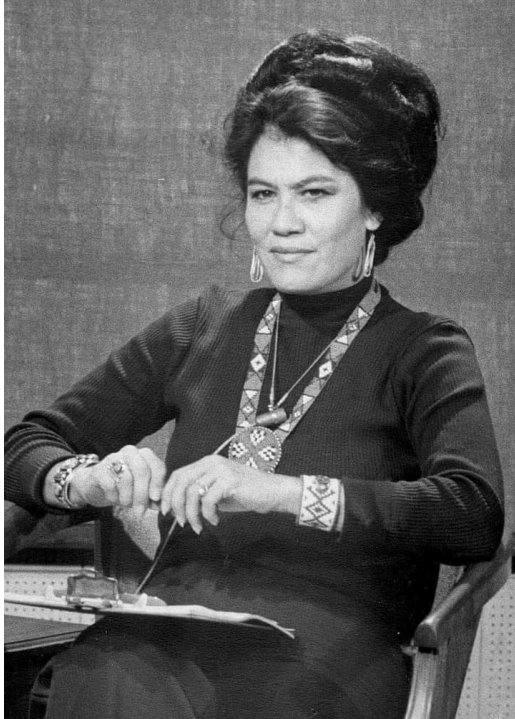
[Institute of American Indian Arts \(IAIA\) ·](#)

Join the IAIA Museum of Contemporary Native Arts (MoCNA) on Friday, August 18, 5–7 pm for an opening reception for The Art of Jean LaMarr.

The Art of Jean LaMarr, organized by the Nevada Museum of Art (NMA), features more than 60 artworks including paintings, prints, and sculptures spanning from the 1970s to the present. LaMarr's colorful and seductive yet hard-hitting satirical artworks challenge long-held cultural stereotypes and preconceptions about Native American people and cultures.

Learn more at <http://www.iaia.edu/.../the-art-of-jean-lamarr-opening...>

I know not with what weapons World War III will be fought, but World War IV will be fought with sticks and stones.” – Albert Einstein



Harriet Skye, one of Bismarck's remarkable women in history.

Harriet Skye (1931–2018) was a multimedia journalist who worked in print, radio, television, and film. A graduate of New York University film school, she became the first Native American woman to have her own television show. “Indian Country Today”, which first aired in 1972, a public-affairs show that ran for 11 years on KFYZ-TV in Bismarck and was televised across five states.

Skye’s Lakota name, Makhpiya To Win, translates as Blue Skye Woman. She was a Húŋkpaŋha Lakota and member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. In addition to her television program, Skye had a career in print media, editing the Standing Rock and United Tribes Technical College (UTTC) newspapers. She frequently served in key leadership positions on city, state, and national boards that promoted the advancement of Native American people. Dr. Skye was inducted into the North Dakota Native American Hall of Honor in 2016 in recognition of her educational leadership.

InPhoto courtesy of **United Tribes Technical College Library Archives**

The iron used to forge this ancient Bronze Age [#weapon](#) travelled millions of miles through space, and then some to the spot where it was found. The [#science](#) reveals how it was possible to source iron in the Bronze Age.



ancient-origins.net

[Swiss Scientists Identify Bronze Age Iron Arrowhead Made from a Meteorite!](#)

[A team of scientists recently completed a study of prehistoric metal artifacts collected in Switzerland over the past couple of centuries, with a very clear purpose in mind.](#)

[Iconic Joshua trees threatened by massive wildfire spreading across Mojave Desert](#)

CNN, 8/2/23 - Firefighters battling a large whirl-spawning wildfire in California and southern Nevada are facing challenging conditions as the blaze spreads and threatens iconic desert Joshua trees.

The York Fire – already California’s largest fire of the year – has burned more than 82,000 acres as of Wednesday morning, fire officials said. It began Friday in the New York Mountains of California’s Mojave National Preserve and crossed state lines into Nevada on Sunday.

[First Fisheries Monitoring Report Completed Under Mono Basin Water Agreement](#)

Cal Trout, 8/1/23 - In October 2021, the California State Water Resources Board issued Order 21-86 to amend the water rights of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) in the Mono Basin. Mono Basin stream habitat was damaged through the years by excessive water diversions by LADWP to Los Angeles. This order formalized a prior stream restoration agreement and new operational requirements for flows and diversions were established. As a result, twenty miles of stream and Mono Lake benefit from science-based restoration.



Save the date!

September 28, 2023

Women's Bureau will meet in Seattle with [ANEW](#) and the [ILO](#) to talk about strategies to implement the [National Plan to End Gender Based Violence and ILO Convention 190](#).

This is the second event in a series we plan to host throughout the region.



Equity Series: Supporting LGBTQI+ Individuals in the Workplace

In partnership with the Nevada Women's Business Center and the Human Rights Campaign Nevada the U.S. Department of Labor, Women's Bureau – Western Region presented a webinar discussion offering practical strategies to support, recruit, and retain LGBTQI+ individuals in the workplace.

Recording Link: [WATCH HERE](#)



The Menopause Transition and Work

The Women's Bureau held a roundtable to hear perspectives from a variety of fields on the impact of the menopause transition on women workers and steps that policymakers and employers can take to help those experiencing menopause symptoms remain employed.

Recording Link: [WATCH HERE](#)

New Indigenous Peoples' Basket Exhibit at Coyote Hills

To celebrate and preserve the rich cultural heritage of Indigenous People, an updated exhibit showcasing the exquisite artistry of Indigenous basketry has been unveiled at Coyote Hills Regional Park in Fremont. This exhibit features baskets from the Wukchumni, Yowlumne, and Tachi people of California's Central Valley, woven by different generations of the same Indigenous family. [More info.](#)

Associated Press

[US judge blocks water pipeline in Montana that was meant to boost rare fish](#)

A U.S. judge blocked a proposed water pipeline through a wilderness area in southwest Montana that was intended to help a rare fish species that's in sharp decline due to habitat loss, warming temperatures and other pressures. The mile-long pipeline was intended to move oxygenated water that's beneficial for fish from a creek to a lake in the Red Rock Lakes Wilderness — winter home for one of the last few populations of Arctic grayling in the Lower 48 states. U.S. District Judge Donald Molloy said in a Wednesday ruling that environmentalists who sued to stop the pipeline raised valid concerns that its construction would disturb the wilderness area, where motor vehicles, roads or structures are largely prohibited under federal law.

Walker River Paiute Tribe
92nd Annual Pinenut Festival
September 14-17, 2023



Thursday- September 14, 2023

6:30 PM Pinenut Festival Pageant - Powwow Grounds. Contact Leah Jim at 773 -2306 ext. 2280

Friday- September 15, 2023

6:00 PM Talent Show - at the Gym. Contact Angela Williams at 773-2306 ext.2160.

TBD Powwow at the Powwow Arbor. Contact Fawn Bolton 773-2306 ext. 2250.

Saturday- September 16, 2023

8:00 AM Fun Run - at the park. Contact John Lockwood @773-2306 ext. 2211. Sign-up 6:00 AM- 7: 45 AM
Registration closes.

10:00 AM Horseshoe Tournament - at the park. Contact Lynn Smokey 775-316-2365 sign-ups at 9:00 AM

10:00 AM 9TH Annual Gabe Sanchez Memorial Strongman Competition - at the Fitness Center. Contact Roman Sanchez @ 775 -722-3872 or 775-335-9540 - registration 9 AM

10:00 AM Parade - Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Contact Miranda Quintero @ 773-2058

10:00 AM Indian Car Contest Contact Chris or Jolene @ 773 -2306 ext. 2363

11:00 AM Kids Games - at the park. All ages. Contact Gina Wachsmuth 773-2306 ext.2053

TBD Powwow at the Powwow Arbor. Contact Fawn Bolton 773-2306 ext. 2250

12:00 PM Community Potluck/BBQ at the Park contact Housing dept 773-2334

1:00 PM Handgame Tournament - at the park. Contact Steven "Snake" Frank 775-426-8138

3:00 PM Arm Wrestling - at the park. Enter the announcer stand. Contact Gina Wachsmuth 773-2002

4:00 PM Cradleboard Contest - at the park contact Sara or Gina 773-2306 ext. 2150 or 2051

TBD Boxing -Tribal Gym contact Vinny Austin 775-318-5142

5:00 PM Tug of War - at the park contact Gina Wachsmuth 773-2306 ext. 2053

TBD Powwow at the Powwow Arbor. Contact Fawn Bolton 773-2306 ext. 2250

8:00 PM Pinenut Blessing- at the Park. Contact Lindzey 775-312-1551



Sunday September 17, 2023

11:00 AM Cornhole Tourney - Clinic Lawn. Contact Alan Roberts at 773-2306 ext. 2335

TBD Powwow - at the Arbor. Contact Fawn Bolton 773-2306 ext. 2250



Camping and Vendor spaces available contact Deanna at 775-773-2306 ext. 2300 or Email: pinenutfestival@wrpt.org

*All vendors will close during the Pinenut Blessing

*Event times are subject to change

*THESE ARE ALCOHOL & DRUG FREE EVENTS AND AREAS

**Aug. 9-10: HUD Indian Community Development Block Grant FY23 Notice of Funding Opportunity Training (*FREE*)
ICDBG NOFO Training-Day 1**

Title: Indian Community Development Block Grant FY23 NOFO Training

Event ID: 848559

Date: Wednesday, August 09, 2023

Time: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time - [view in your timezone](#)

Conference Recording: Yes

Attendee Instructions

*The conference begins at 1:00 PM Eastern Time on August 09, 2023; you may join the conference 10 minutes prior. **To join the conference, click: <https://ems8.intellor.com/login/848559>***

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Join the Webex event and follow the prompts to connect audio by computer or telephone. Webex Support: 888-793-6118

ICDBG NOFO Training-Day 2

Title: Indian Community Development Block Grant FY23 NOFO Training

Event ID: 848560

Date: Thursday, August 10, 2023

Time: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time - [view in your timezone](#)

Conference Recording: Yes

Attendee Instructions

*The conference begins at 1:00 PM Eastern Time on August 10, 2023; you may join the conference 10 minutes prior. **To join the conference, click: <https://ems8.intellor.com/login/848560>***

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**[Important map of Nebraska and Dakota by G.K. Warren, one of the great mapmakers of the West and a future hero of Gettysburg](#)**

A superb map of the Nebraska Territory, Dakota and surrounding regions by civil engineer, explorer and future Civil War hero Governer Kemble Warren. The map depicts a vast area of the American West, some 800 by 600 miles, an area encompassing much of the Nebraska Territory, the then-unorganized region known as “Dakota”, western Iowa and [...] [View Details](#)

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[Nevada Bill AB 125 - Assemblywoman Shea Backhus - Missing and Murdered Indigenous People](#)

[Requires law enforcement to maintain a database with all missing and murdered indigenous people and attempts to better align law enforcement agencies to appropriately investigate these cases. Effective July 1, 2023](#)

The Legacy Project 2023

Empowering Teens to Go Above and Beyond...

The Legacy Project is an innovative collaboration between Forever14 and Project Discovery.

The Legacy Project takes place high in the trees in the shadow of Mt. Rose Summit adjacent to Sky Tavern. This Youth Empowerment Program is a partnership with Project Discovery, a ropes challenge course and Forever14.org, a local nonprofit to prevent teen suicide.

“A hero’s journey involves a hero who goes on an adventure, is victorious in a decisive crisis, and comes home changed and transformed.”

<https://allevents.in/reno/the-legacy-project-2023/10000568646506007>



Advocates for Indigenous California Language Survival and the Living Language Circle planning teams would like to thank our partners and supporters, the California Wellness Foundation, Lytton Rancheria, First Nations Development Institute, Native Cultures Fund, Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, and many individual donors, we could not have accomplished this event without you!



Second cannabis dispensary opens on tribal land in Minnesota

<https://www.startribune.com/second-cannabis-dispensary-opens-on-tribal-land-in-minnesota/600294943/>

Let's End the Human Trafficking of Native Americans

There's an unspoken epidemic of human trafficking happening across the United States, and this crisis is disproportionately impacting Native Americans.

It's a harsh reality that whenever an event attracts a large number of men, there is a market for sex trafficking—annual gatherings like South Dakota's Sturgis Motorcycle Rally and pheasant hunting season.

In fact, the Sturgis Rally kicks off TODAY (8.4)

It's a harsh reality that whenever an event attracts a large number of men, there is a market for sex trafficking—annual gatherings like South Dakota's Sturgis Motorcycle Rally and pheasant hunting season. So, how do we put an end to human trafficking? It starts with raising awareness of this crisis, knowing the signs and how to report it. This is why we put together a **free social media toolkit**.

[Download the Toolkit](#)

Inside this toolkit, you'll get access to:

- A deeper understanding of how trafficking impacts the Native community
- How trafficking happens at events that attract a large number of men
- The signs of trafficking and how to report it
- Ready-to-use social media posts and graphics
- Resources for action
- And much more

Download the toolkit and share the information and graphics on your Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn pages to support the Native women who need your help. **[You can access the free social media toolkit here.](#)**

Pilamaya for standing with us to END IT.

Jennifer Long, Kul Wicasa Oyate

Executive Director, Native Hope

Native Hope, 112 S. Main St., Chamberlain, SD 57325

\$100 Million Grant to Assist California Native Tribes With Buying Back Land



Photo: Juliana Yamada/KQED

Native American tribes in California can apply for money to help buy back lands they lost during colonization, the California Natural Resources Agency announced Monday.

The intention of the \$100 million Tribal Nature-Based Solutions grant program is to advance the state's climate goals by giving tribes the opportunity to buy land for conservation and cultural projects.

The grant program is part of a broader strategy in Gov. Gavin Newsom's administration to promote "nature-based" solutions to climate change.

Why this matters: The grant program aims to strengthen partnerships with tribes in the natural resources conservation and environmental space. However, some tribes are concerned about the grant program's focus on plants and animals over the needs of native people.

[Supreme Court refuses to block ban on Okla. city fines for Native Americans](#)

By Ann E. Marimow • [Read more »](#)

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