Native American Education Initiative Speaker Series





The White Bear Lake Area Historical Society is partnering with the White Bear Lake Area School district to expand our knowledge on Native American History in the White Bear Lake area and to build relationships with Native American communities, experts, and organizations. This speaker series covers a number of topics relating to Native American history and culture.

Contact Elsa Ballata with any questions: ecballata@gmail.com or 612-916-9024

Tuesday, March 12th, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm HISTORY OF LACROSSE: THE "CREATOR'S GAME" WITH JOHN HUNTER

White Bear Lake Armory, 2228 4th St, White Bear Lake, MN 55110



For over 400 years, local Dakota, Ojibwe, and Ho-Chunk people have gathered on this land to play lacrosse. Though the rules, boundaries, and stick styles have evolved, lacrosse continues to serve as a format for fun, celebration, socializing, and healing. Join us as historian John Hunter explores the meaning and significance of the "Creator's Game."

John Hunter (Winnebago/White Earth Ojibwe) was raised in Minnesota and graduated from Stanford University. In 2014, he co-founded Twin Cities Native Lacrosse. For over twenty years, he has played and/or coached lacrosse at every level, as well as serving as an advocate and researcher for the sport.

Thursday, March 28th, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Nations 101, with Native Governance Center

Via Zoom, see link or QR code below to register



Please join us for the Native Nations 101 program from the Native Governance Center to learn more about the nations represented in the White Bear Lake Area.

Native Nations 101 provides attendees with an introduction to Tribal sovereignty and how Tribal governments work. Presenters draw on real-life, on-the-ground experience to educate about the realities and challenges faced by Tribal leaders. The session also introduces the Native nation rebuilding movement and Tribal nations' visions and goals for the next seven generations.



Native Nations 101 is a great session for beginners looking to grow their baseline knowledge and learn to cultivate authentic relationships with Native nations.

Registration is required but the event is free. Click the link below or scan the QR code to register.

https://nativegov-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkcOmtqDIqGNz2sbDH2COQAAMQrlscJFhQ