

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

November is National American Indian Heritage Month The Library of Congress, National Archives and Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum join in paying tribute to the rich ancestry and traditions of Native Americans.

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Virtual Tour: Sitka National Historical Park - Totem Walk

In 2013 a joint project was undertaken by the National Park Service's Harpers Ferry Center, by Sitka National Historical Park, and by the Historic American Landscapes Survey to document the eighteen standing totem poles and house posts along the Totem Trail, in order to enhance the park's interpretive efforts and provide documentation for future preservation planning.

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2016 Event Highlights

Lecture & Book Talk

November 2

My Grandmother Told Me We Have Indian Blood: Memory, Heritage and

Film

November 3

We Still Live Here | Âs Nutayuneân
This film tells a remarkable

Performance

November 5 & 6

Waking the Ancestors: Recovering the Lost Sacred Sounds of Colonial America

Native American Identity

In this revealing history of Cherokee migration and resettlement, "The Cherokee Diaspora", Gregory Smithers uncovers the origins of the Cherokee diaspora and explores how communities and individuals have negotiated their Cherokee identities, even when

story of language recovery and cultural revival by the Wampanoag of Southeastern Massachusetts. Their ancestors ensured the survival of the Pilgrims in New England, and lived to regret it. Now, contemporary Wampanoag people are asserting in their Native tongue, "We

□ The arrival of the Mayflower in 1620 forever changed the lives of those living on the continent. This documentary theater program from Plimoth Plantation, a Smithsonian Affiliate museum, explores the intersection of two musical traditions: hymns and psalms from Church of England and

For Kids & Families

November 12

Storybook Reading & Hands-On Activity for American Indian Heritage Month

Celebrate American Indian Heritage Month and our national mammal, the bison! Listen to A Creation Story: Tatanka and the Lakota People, illustrated by Donald F. Montileaux (Oglala Lakota). Learn about the bison and the important relationship it has with Native people of the

Performance

November 24-26

A Celebration of Northwest Coast Dance

West Coast First Nations mask-dancing group Git Hayetsk (People of the Copper Shield) and Tsimshian dancers Lepquim Gumilgit Gagoadim (Our Own Dance in Our Hearts) use humor and theatrical dance to introduce indigenous lifeways of the Northwest Coast.

(National Museum of the American Indian - Smithsonian Institution)

Additional Events

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(National Museum of the American Indian, New York, NY)

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