

Indigenous Peoples' Heritage Month

PUBLIC EVENTS

White Sage Planting

Tuesday, Nov. 7 | 1-2 p.m.

SEEd Project Garden

All the plants on this campus grow on the ancestral homelands and unceded territory of the Chumash people, who have been caring for this land for more than 10,000 years. In support of our Indigenous neighbors, we plan to install approximately 40 white sage (*Salvia apiana*) plants in a secluded space near our SEEd Garden for their cultivation and enjoyment. Come join us in the planting and celebration of this native shrub, which is deeply rooted in the traditions of many Indigenous communities in Southern California and Baja California.

Cold appetizers and beverages will be provided. For more information, contact Megan Fung, PhD, at mkfung@CalLutheran.edu.

This event is sponsored by the SEEd Project Garden and funded by the G.A. Foster Legacy Foundation.

Indigenous Heritage Month Celebration

Friday, Nov. 10 | noon to 2 p.m.

Kingsmen Park

Join Student Life's Center for Cultural Engagement and Inclusion at Foodie Friday for our Indigenous Heritage Celebration. Come celebrate Indigenous Heritage with activities, food and our guest speaker Marianne Yeager, a Chumash liaison, who will open our program with a blessing of the land and will speak regarding the meaningful work and service that students can engage with that is social justice oriented to support Indigenous communities.

As part of Student Life's Foodie Friday, food will be free for the first 200 students and the first 25 faculty and staff members. For more information, email ccei@CalLutheran.edu or call 805-493-3277.

This event is sponsored by the Center for Cultural Engagement and Inclusion, and the Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity.

Indigenous Peoples' Heritage Month Lecture Lunch

Thursday, Nov. 16 | 12:30-2 p.m.

Lundring Events Center

In observance of the Indigenous Peoples Heritage Month, keynote speaker Julia Samaniego, a member of the Tataviam Tribe from the Siutcanga Village and connected to the Chumash through the Tapuu Village, will share part of her personal and professional journey, inspired by her Indigenous heritage and her devotion to nature. Samaniego advocates tirelessly for native rights, exemplifying the role of Indigenous women in safeguarding the rich tapestry of Native cultures, ensuring a brighter future for generations to come. She presented "Native Women's Perspective on Reconnecting to Native Plants" at a recent California Native Plant Society conference. She is part of the Wallis Anneburg Wildlife Crossing Project Nursery, where she oversees propagating native plants, seed collecting and inventory of plants.

Join us to hear this inspirational and educational story. Learn about the rich history and culture that is essential to the fabric of our society and the importance of supporting Indigenous communities to overcome significant challenges, including displacement, discrimination and environmental destruction.

Lunch will be served. Reservations are recommended, but not required. To RSVP, visit bit.ly/IndigenousPeoplesHeritage. For more information, email James Esparza at jesparza@CalLutheran.edu.

This event is sponsored by the Office of Talent, Culture and Diversity.

History Lecture Series

Life's Uncertain Outcomes: Choice and Chance in Historical Context "A Family Story from Native California"

Tuesday, Nov. 28 | 7-8 p.m.

Lundring Events Center

"Life's Uncertain Outcomes" is a history lecture series that considers people's lived experiences, and how historical circumstances and choices made by individuals and the decisions of others shaped the direction of their lives. William Bauer, PhD, a history professor at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and a citizen of the Round Valley Reservation in Northern California, will focus on the period in the late 19th and early 20th centuries when the United States incarcerated American Indians on reservations and circumscribed tribal sovereignty. These actions produced catastrophic population declines, poverty and political impotence. Using the history of the Wright family on the Round Valley Reservation, he'll examine the ability of one family to navigate life on a reservation.

For more information, contact David Nelson, PhD, at dnelson@CalLutheran.edu.

This event is part of the Artists and Speakers Series, and is sponsored by the Organization of American Historians, Artists and Speakers Committee and the Department of History.

FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENT EVENT

Native American Cultural Awareness Training

Thursday, Nov. 9 | 12:30-2:10 p.m.

Lundring Events Center

The goal of the Native American Cultural Awareness Training is to provide a broad understanding of Native history and its impact in the present. This training focuses on California Native history and dives deeper into the history and heritage of local Chumash people. We will discuss historical trauma, various protective factors, cultural resiliency and current issues. This is a safe space to ask questions, engage in dialogue, grow together and create meaningful partnerships for a much-needed change and allyship.

Our keynote speaker Dayna Barrios, a Native community leader and the former chairwoman for the Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians, has a master's degree in socio-cultural anthropology, for which her research focused on human rights issues among California Native populations.

Barrios has done local, state and national conferences to bring awareness to various Native issues, including historical and intergenerational trauma, California Native history, etc. Moreover, she has facilitated numerous Native Cultural Awareness Training sessions across the state and has worked within California Native communities for over a decade.

Lunch will be served. Reservations are recommended, but not required. To RSVP, visit bit.ly/IndigenousPeoplesHeritage. For more information, email tcd@CalLutheran.edu or call 805-493-3589.

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