

Profiles



Mashu White Feather, Cherokee Elder and Traditionalist, International Speaker, Chair Two Feathers International and Indigenous Representative at the United Nations PFII. Worked with Indigenous American communities throughout USA, lectured in New Zealand, Canada, England, Azerbaijan, Germany and Siberia in Northern Russia. Every person has a right to know their heritage. Understanding who we are and where come from will see us through life. Strengthen cultural identity, restore traditions, language and practices. Thinking Indigenous again is key for Indigenous Peoples to participate effectively in strengthening their families, their communities and Nations and provides opportunity to make a positive difference in the world today and for the future generations to come.

Key Note Speaker: Thinking Indigenous Again – Living in Two Worlds, Prophecy and cultural heritage



Great Grandmother Mary Lyons, Ojibwe Elder, Niizh-Nibi-Ikwe "Second Water Woman", Elder of Mitigwakk-Daywaygus-Giwstahskad "Water Drum Circle", Sr. Member of the "Top Hat Medicine Dress/Long Skirt Society", Spiritual Advisor, Storyteller, Wisdom Teacher. Grandmother Mary carries an intense professional portfolio, her contribution to the wellness of women and families stands at the forefront of her commitments in the areas of "talking circles, ceremonies, Vision interpretations, one on one Spiritual Guidance.

Given the global challenges humanity faces in the 21st century, we can no longer afford to maintain artificial divisions between peoples and nations. Learning from the indigenous peoples of the world, along with the wisdom-keepers of all cultures and faith traditions, we must begin to understand ourselves as part of a great human family that is itself just one strand in the web of life on our living Earth. **Key Note**

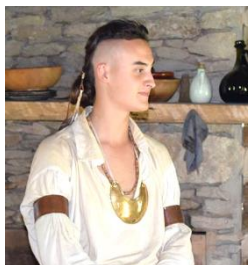
Speaker: It takes a Community to raise a Child – Recognising the barriers, Fetal Alcohol Disorder Syndrome (FADS) and Youth Suicide



Terry Sloan, Navaho and Hopi. Owner and manager of his family Accountancy Business, Delegate to the UN, Active supporter on Climate Change, Environmental Issues. Terry attended recent Climate Change Conference in Paris 2015. **Heal the Land, heal the People – Climate Change moving into the future. Lives in Albuquerque New Mexica**



Fonda Smith, Ahnisenabae Tribe, Indigenous Representative to United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; Women of Wellbriety, Minnesota USA. Lives in Minnesota.



Luke Mason, Cherokee Eastern Band Cherokee Nation, Student at University Georgia USA, Works for Parks and Recreation GA, Traditions and Cherokee History and Arts. Lives in Kentucky

Firehawk Warren, Cherokee of the Eastern Band Cherokee; Graduate, Social Worker; Traditional Dancer and crafts. Lives in Alabama USA



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