

Women Are Sacred Conference 2023

Schedule of Events

Pre-Registration		Sunday, June 25, 2023									
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm		Evening pre-registration in Grand Foyer.									
Day 1		Monday, June 26, 2023									
7:00 am - 9:00 am		Morning registration in Grand Foyer.									
7:30 am - 8:30 am		AA Meeting in Sunrise Room.									
Opening Session (Grand Ballroom)											
9:00 am - 9:30 am		Traditional Welcome, Posting of Flags, Black Eagle Singers, Land Acknowledgement by Lucy Simpson & Dorma Sahneyah									
9:30 am - 9:45 am		Introductions: Board and Staff, Federal Partners & Cosponsors by Lucy Simpson									
9:45 am - 10:00 am		ACF Remarks by January Contreras, Assistant Secretary of Administration on Children & Families									
10:00 am - 10:30 am		Official Welcoming & Opening Remarks by Verna Teller, Former Isleta Chief Judge									
10:30 am - 11:00 am		Our Voice by Brenda Hill									
11:00 am - 11:45 am		Advocates: Warrior/ Life Doula/ Sister by Jolene Engelking, Nicole Matthews, and Carmen O'Leary									
11:45 pm - 1:00 pm		Working Lunch: Presentation of Tillie Black Bear Memorial Award by Lucy Simpson and Connie Brushbreaker									
Breakout Sessions (Various Rooms) 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm											
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm		Eagle 2	Sunrise	Grand Ballroom A	Grand Ballroom B	Grand Ballroom C	Bosque	Manzano	Seminar Room	Rio Grande	Eagle 1
Name of Session		Sex Trafficking of Indigenous Youth: Current State and Future Action	Healing Through Ancestral Teachings	Building Your Village: Creating a Survivor-Centered Network to Support Adult Native Victims of Human Trafficking	Formative Evaluation of the Demonstration Grants to Strengthen the Response to Victims of Human Trafficking in Native Communities (VHT-NC) Program	Local, Tribal Responses to Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women: Violence Against Women Act 2022	Weaving a Braid of Sovereignty, Safety and Support	Offenders Re-education Programs	From Hotels to Housing: Creating Safe Living Space	VAWA Sovereignty Initiative	Youth Track: Community Care by Cleaning the Air
Presenter(s) of Session		by Kirby Williams and Anne LaFrinier-Ritchie	by Amanda Takes War Bonnett and Carmen O'Leary	by Mitzi Pope, Samantha Samuel-Nakka, and LaBretia White	By Rita Martinez, Elizabeth Tibaduiza, and Christina Melander	By Juana Majel Dixon, Donna Anthony, Richard Garcia, and Tami Truett Jerue	By Lori Jump	By Gene Red Hail	By Rick Giron, Monica Montoya, and Gwen Packard	By Mary Kathryn Nagle	By Marquel Musgrave
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm		Break									
Breakout Sessions (Various Rooms) 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm											
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm		Eagle 2	Sunrise	Grand Ballroom A	Grand Ballroom B	Grand Ballroom C	Bosque	Manzano	Seminar Room	Rio Grande	Eagle 1
Name of Session		Planting Seeds of Healing in Our Community	Herstory of Indigenous Me, a Grassroots Movement in OK	Healing Our Nations through Respect, Responsibility, Relationship and Reciprocity	Victim Advocacy on the Prairie: Supporting Native Survivors in Iowa	Advocating for Advocates: Strengthening our Programs Through Indigenous Values	VAWA Implementation and the Role of Survivor and Legal Advocates in Successful Implementation	Advocacy Isn't Perfection, It is Improving with Lived Experiences	Evolution of Safe Housing Workgroup: Building the Bridge Between GBV and Safe Housing	Kai'u Eai Lanĭ: Sacred Water of Heaven	Youth Track: Punabay with Tewa Roots Society
Presenter(s) of Session		By Lucille Grignon	By Carman Harvie, Cindy Famera, Henrietta Nelson, and Darcie Parton Scoon	By Kelly R. Vallo, Anissa McKenna, Melodie Lopez, Virjinya Torrez, Ruthy Ross, Sochik McKenna, Stephanie Fregoso, and Karen Valasco	By Jourdan Reynolds and Alanna Holiday	By Jolene Engelking, Nicole Matthews	By Rick A. Garcia, Jessie Rice	By Valaura Imus-Nahsonhoya	By Caroline LaPorte, Brittany Eltringham, and Tami Truett Jerue	By Dolly Tatofi and Dayna Schultz	By Ryan Martinez, Pat Cate, and Nicole Soderberg
Special Sessions (Various Rooms)											
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm		Eagle 3	Yoga with Princella Redcorn								
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm		Sunrise Room	Gamblers Anonymous Meeting								
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm		Concierge Room	NNEDV CBC Project Meet and Greet								
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm		Multiple Rooms:	Film Screenings	Grand Ballroom A	Grand Ballroom B	Grand Ballroom C	Bosque	Manzano	Rio Grande		
			Title of Film	Murder in the Big Horn: Special Guest Luella Brien	Murder in the Big Horn: Special Guest Luella Brien	Fancy Dance	Gift of Fear	Not Afraid	(Non-Film Option): Crafting MMIW Dolls		
Day 2		Tuesday, June 27, 2023									
7:00 am - 8:00 am		Hotel Lobby	Group Wellness Walk & Run								
7:30 am - 8:30 am		Sunrise Room	AA Meeting								
Breakout Sessions (Various Rooms) 8:45 am - 10:15 am											
8:45 am - 10:15 am		Eagle 2	Sunrise	Grand Ballroom A	Grand Ballroom B	Grand Ballroom C	Bosque	Manzano	Seminar Room	Rio Grande	Eagle 1
Name of Session		Indigenizing Harm Reduction at the Intersections of Domestic Violence, Mental Health and Substance Use	Gentle Action Theory and Traditional Ways in Bringing Hope and Healing to Women's Experience of Incarceration and Abuse	Leading Efforts for MMIP Policy Change: A Template for Tribes Across the Country	Circles of Strength: Cultural Healing in Urban Environments	Human Rights—Indigenous Rights—Women's Rights: How International Law Addresses Gender Based Violence	Invisible Injuries: Traumatic Brain Injury, Strangulation and Domestic Violence	Partnering for Justice: Role of Advocates Within Law Enforcement Response	Housing and The Violence Against Women Act: Policy Update	Tillie Black Bear Women Are Sacred Seasonal Healing Camp: Talking Circles of Healing	Youth Track: MMIR and Resource Extraction
Presenter(s) of Session		By Victoria Wynecoop-Abrahamson	By Carma Corcoran	By Katherine Katcher and Abby Abinanti	By Alaina Hanks and Tanya Scheidegger	By Chris Foley	By Rachel Ramirez	By Bonnie Clairmont	By Caroline LaPorte	By Carmen O'Leary and Heather Bruegl	By Jennifer Marley and Jovita Belgarde
Breakout Sessions (Various Rooms) 10:30 am - 12:15 pm											
10:30 am - 12:15 pm		Eagle 2	Sunrise	Grand Ballroom A	Grand Ballroom B	Grand Ballroom C	Bosque	Manzano	Seminar Room	Rio Grande	Eagle 1
Name of Session		Maximizing OVW Funding Opportunities to Support Safety and Justice in Your Tribal Community	Presenting Uncomfortable Topics of Violence to Teens from a Cultural Perspective	Culture and Healing: Responding to Violence Against Indigenous Survivors	America's History and Legacy of Violence	Violence Against Women Act 2022 Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction	The Power of Adaptation: Shifting Our Understanding & Response to Sex Trafficking	T-LGBQ2S 101	Navigating the Housing Spectrum, A Roadmap for Advocates	MMIW Families for Justice and Healing	Youth Track: Community Organizing 101
Presenter(s) of Session		By Rebekah Jones, Renee Stapp, and Sydney West	By Kirby Williams	By Sandra Pilgrim-Lewis, Rachel Carr-Shunk, Casey Kasper-Welles, and Andrea (Andy) Jackson	By Christina Love	By Kelly Gaines Stoner and Jerry Gardner	By Nicole Mathevs	By Renae Gray	By Gwen Packard and Memory Long Chase	By Patricia Whitefoot, Grace Bulttail, Leanne Guy, and Tami Truett Jerue	By Selinda Guerrero and Jovita Belgarde
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm		Lunch (ON YOUR OWN)									
12:15 -1:00pm		Eagle 3	Yoga with Princella Redcorn								
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Name of Session		Indian Country Counts! Domestic Violence Services in Indian Country	Office of Family Violence Prevention & Services Act Program Open House	Washington State Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and People Task Force Update	Understanding the Nexus of Violence and the Science of Addiction	Protecting Our Children and Youth from Commercial Sexual Exploitation - Showcasing the Work Being Done Between Tribal Nation and County Child Welfare Agency in a PL 280 State	Growing Our Own Advocates	Working with Tribal Housing Authorities: A Guide for Adocates	Safe Housing as a Mitigating Factor in MMIW	Indigenous Intersections on Gender-Based and Land Violence: Voices from the Field (by Invitation Only)	Youth Track: Hand Games
Presenter(s) of Session		By Dawn R. Stover	By Miranda Carman and Betty Johnson	By Annie Forsman Adams	By Christina Love	By Bonnie Clairmont and Kelly Gaines Stoner	By Janelle Chapin and Tami Truett Jerue	By Linda Lee Retka and Victoria Ybanez	By Caroline LaPorte and Gwen Packard	By Heather Bruegl and Kendra Root	By Alysia Coriz, Orlando Avery, and Crystal Barney
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Name of Session		"Envisioning Our Futures" Gender Violence Prevention Strategies	Indigenous Me- Oklahoma State Chapter Missing and Murdered Indigenous People	"Alaska Native Women: Ending the Violence, Reclaiming a Sacred Status" Key Points from a New Book to Understand Violence Against Alaska Native Women"	How to Use International Advocacy to Restore Safety for Indigenous Women	WAS Talks	Mapping Victim Rights to Tribal Laws in Tribal Law Enforcement Victim Services Programs	Intentionally Growing: Culturally Based Healing Centered Approaches in Organizational Leadership and Supervisory Practices	Historical Overview of Tribal Housing	ARP Covid19 Resource Database and IT Tech Best Practices Bundles	Youth Track - Consent and Boundaries
Presenter(s) of Session		By Tai Simpson	By Carmen Harvie, Cindy Famera, Henrietta Nelson, and Darcie Parton Scoon	By Tami Truett Jerue	By Chris Foley	By Gwen Packard and Kim Zahne	By Ada Pecos Melton and Rita Martinez	By Cathy Cave and Christina Love	By Theodore Jojola	By Cassandra Roy	By Jovita Belgarde
Special Sessions (Various Rooms)											
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm		Premier Ballroom	Reception in Celebration of "Alaska Native Women: Ending the Violence, Reclaiming a Sacred Status" Book Release								
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm		Eagle 3	Yoga with Princella Redcorn								
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm		Sunrise Room	Gamblers Anonymous Meeting								
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm		Grand Ballroom	"Celebrating All Things Feminine" Powwow								
Day 3		Wednesday, June 28, 2023									
6:30 am - 7:30 am		Eagle 3	Yoga with Princella Redcorn								
7:00 am - 8:00 am		Hotel Lobby	Group Wellness Walk & Run								
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Breakout Sessions (Various Rooms) 8:45 am - 10:15 am											
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Name of Session			Oneida Tribe Coordinated Community Response Team	Elevating the Voices of Male Survivors	Grand Ballroom B Honoring Consent - Protecting Indigenous Peoples' Right to Autonomy for Our Land and Bodies	Missing and Murdered Native Hawaiian Women and Girls in Hawaii	"Taringe Akngiringalria Aki" (Yupik for To Understand Trauma Response)	Imposter Syndrome	Intersection of Climate Change, Housing Crisis, and Gender-Based Violence	Indigenous Domestic Violence Survivor's Wellness Services: Uplifting Our Voices	Youth Track- Ending Teen Dating Violence and Cultivating Healthy Relationships
Presenter(s) of Session			By Gene Red Hail	By Brandon Nahsonhoya	By Nicole Begay and Jolene Holgate	By Dolly Tatofi and Dayna Schultz	By Tami Truett Jerue	By Lori Jump	By Caroline LaPorte, Lora Ann Chaisson, and Houston Cypress	By Kendra M. Root	By Jovita Belgarde
10:15 am - 10:45 am		Break									
Closing Session (Grand Ballroom)											
10:35 am - 10:45 am		Office of Family Violence Prevention & Services Update by Miranda Carman, Supervisory Program Specialist FVPSA Tribal Team									
10:45 am - 11:30am		FVPSA Update by the NIWRC Policy Team Implementation of VAWA 2022 by Jerry Gardner and Kelly Gaines Stoner									
11:30 am - 12:15 pm		We Are Born of Spirit Through Mother Earth and the Womb of a Woman: Exploration of Identity by Dolly Tatofi, Wendy Schlater, and Tai Simpson									
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm		Traditional Closing, Retire the Flags by Lucy Simpson									

Thank you for attending the Women Are Sacred Conference 2023.

