



UNDERSTAND NATIVE MINNESOTA EDUCATOR ACADEMY

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023

Mystic Lake Center



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AGENDA AT A GLANCE

7:45AM	REGISTRATION CHECK-IN	ISANTI BALLROOM
8:30AM	WELCOME <i>Rebecca Crooks-Stratton, Secretary/Treasurer, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community</i>	ISANTI BALLROOM
8:45AM	GENERAL SESSION Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Were Too Afraid to Ask <i>Dr. Anton Treuer</i>	ISANTI BALLROOM
9:30AM	BREAKOUT SESSION 1 Indigenous Language Revitalization <i>Dr. Anton Treuer</i>	ISANTI BALLROOM
	10,000-year Significance of Our Relative the Bison To Our People <i>Paul Dressen and Tori Campbell, Prairie Island Buffalo Project</i>	ANOKA 1
	Taku Wadaka He? What Do You See? <i>Joanne Zacharias</i>	ANOKA 2
	First We Must Consider Manoomin: Stories and Science from a Tribal-University Research Collaboration Studying Wild Rice <i>Madeline Nyblade, University of Minnesota, and Jennie Sirota, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community</i>	ANOKA 3
	Using the 7 Grandfather Teachings for SEL and College Planning <i>Tami Johnson and Alicia Garcia, Saint Paul Public Schools</i>	OWATONNA 1
	Teaching American Indian Content to All <i>Eden Bart, Minnesota Humanities Center</i>	OWATONNA 2
	We Smudge Here: The Journey to a School District Smudging Policy <i>Lisa Bellanger, John Bobolink, Michelle Fairbanks and Julia Littlewolf, Saint Paul Public Schools</i>	OWATONNA 3
	ExploraDome <i>Gaagige Aanakwadikwe, Bell Museum</i>	WACONIA 2
10:30AM	TOUR OF MDEWAKANTON: DWELLERS OF THE SPIRIT LAKE <i>Hočokata Ti staff</i>	HOČOKATA TI
	In lieu of attending Breakout Session 2. Board shuttle beginning at 10:30am. Return to Mystic Lake Center for lunch.	

10:45AM

BREAKOUT SESSION 2

Lacrosse as the “Creator’s Game”

John Hunter and Art Coulson

ANOKA 1

**Reconsider Minnesota History –
Exploring Dakota Stories with New
Curriculum and Puppets**

*Maria Asp and Tessa Flynn Henderson,
Speaking Out Collective*

ANOKA 2

**Restoring Land, Reviving Heritage:
Conservation Through Indigenous Culture**

*Hannah Smith, Belwin Conservancy, with
Laura Sullivan and Makylah Woods,
Anishinabe Academy*

ANOKA 3

Water Story

Lowana Greensky et al.

OWATONNA 1

Introducing MENTOR Minnesota

Emily Geray

OWATONNA 2

**Incorporating Traditional Talking Circles
Into Classrooms**

*Mercedes Van Cleve and Dee Buros, Shakopee
Public Schools Indian Education, and Lisa Fulton,
Four Directions Behavioral Health*

OWATONNA 3

ExploraDome

Gaagige Aanakwadikwe, Bell Museum

WACONIA 2

11:45AM

LUNCH BUFFET

12:15PM

GENERAL SESSION

**Author Panel: Exploring Indigenous Voices
in Literature**

*Panelists: Art Coulson, Marcie Rendon, and
Monique Gray Smith*

*Facilitator: Allison Waukau, Hennepin
County Library*

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1:15PM

**TOUR OF MDEWAKANTON: DWELLERS
OF THE SPIRIT LAKE**

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In lieu of attending Breakout Session 3. Board shuttle beginning at 1:15pm. Return to Mystic Lake Center for Breakout Session 4.

1:30PM

BREAKOUT SESSION 3

Decolonize Your Bookshelves

Art Coulson

ANOKA 1

Native Books for Children and Educators <i>Tom Peacock and Betsy Albert-Peacock</i>	ANOKA 2
The 7 Generations and 7 Grandfather Teachings <i>James Kaagegabaw Vukelich</i>	ANOKA 3
Native Education for All: Preparing for a National Movement <i>Waquin Preston and Dr. Casie Wise, National Indian Education Association</i>	OWATONNA 1
Gifts from Our Relatives, The Plants <i>Hope Flanagan, Dream of Wild Health</i>	OWATONNA 2
Native Arts Resource: Supporting the Implementation Art Standards <i>Alina Campana and Sam Zimmerman, Minnesota Department of Education</i>	OWATONNA 3
ExploraDome <i>Gaagige Aanakwadikwe, Bell Museum</i>	WACONIA 2

2:45PM

BREAKOUT SESSION 4

Indigenous Foodways: Cross-Curricular Opportunities <i>Andy Adams, Liz Cates, Vern DeFoe, Riva Garcia and Ash McLeod, NATIFS</i>	ISANTI BALLROOM
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Panel: Art as Activism <i>Panelists: Marlena Myles and Thomasina TopBear Facilitator: Rita Walaszek Arndt, Minnesota Historical Society</i>	ANOKA 1
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Writing Prompts for Older Students <i>Marcie Rendon</i>	ANOKA 2
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Gifts of the Cottonwood <i>Jacob Bernier, Ben Gessner, Gabby Menomin and Fern Renville, Wakanj Tipi Awanyangkapi</i>	ANOKA 3
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Ojibwe Cultural Renaissance <i>Dr. Anton Treuer</i>	OWATONNA 1
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Leading with a Light Heart <i>Monique Gray Smith</i>	OWATONNA 2
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Tribal Sovereignty and Incorporating an Indigenous Lens in PreK-5 Education <i>Jillian Stately and Laura Wagenman, Osseo Area Schools, with Isabella Griffin, Minnesota Department of Education</i>	OWATONNA 3
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ExploraDome <i>Gaagige Aanakwadikwe, Bell Museum</i>	WACONIA 2
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3:45PM

CLOSING SESSION

<i>Reuben Kitto Stately and Ramona Kitto Stately</i>	ISANTI BALLROOM
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