



Youth Commission Agenda
Sunday, October 1st – Friday, October 6th, 2006
Sacramento, California

Sunday, October 1

- 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm** **NCAI Youth Commission General Assembly**
- 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Ambassador Leadership Applicants Orientation
Jennifer Rackliff, Legislative Associate, NCAI
- 3:00 pm – 3:15 pm Opening from Youth Commission Representatives
Dwayne Lopez, Youth Commission Representative, Tohono O'odham Nation
Alyssa Dixon, Youth Commission Representative, Gila River Indian Community

Orientation

- 3:15 pm – 3:30 pm History of the National Congress of American Indians
Juanita Ahtone, Kiowa Tribe, invited
- 3:30 pm – 3:50 pm Review of Roberts' Rules
- 3:50 pm – 4:10 pm Review of Youth Commission By-Laws and Charter
Dwayne Lopez, Youth Commission Representative, Tohono O'odham Nation
Alyssa Dixon, Youth Commission Representative, Gila River Indian Community

- 4:10 pm – 5:00 pm Youth Commission Ambassador Leadership Program Applicants Meet and Greet
Youth Commission attendees will have an opportunity to meet with the Ambassador Leadership Applicants and to learn about their platforms and ideas for the future of the NCAI Youth Commission

Monday, October 2

- 8:30 am – 9:45 am** **NCAI General Assembly Opening Ceremony**
- 9:45 am - Noon** **NCAI Youth Commission General Assembly**
- 9:45 am – 10:00 am Opening of the NCAI Youth Commission General Assembly
Dwayne Lopez, Youth Commission Representative, Tohono O'odham Nation
Alyssa Dixon, Youth Commission Representative, Gila River Indian Community

Youth Policy Updates

10:00 am – 10:45 am General Policy Update on Youth Issues
Ryan Wilson, President, National Indian Education Association
Stacy Bohlen, Executive Director, National Indian Health Board, invited
Heather Dawn Thompson, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, NCAI, invited

10:45 am – 11:15 am Native Vote:
Irene Folstrom, Native Vote Coordinator, NCAI
Adae Romero, Native Vote Coordinator, NCAI

11:15 am – Noon Tribal Leaders Journey into Leadership
Various tribal leaders, invited

Noon - 1:30 pm NCAI Youth Commission Luncheon
Speaker To Be Determined

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm NCAI General Assembly – Speakers will include Congressional Members and representatives from the White House

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm Ambassador Leadership Program Rehearsal
Rehearsal is only open to the ALP Applicants - no visitors or chaperones will be allowed

Tuesday, October 3

7:00 am – 8:00 am Miss NCAI Honor Breakfast
Brooke Grant, Miss NCAI 2005-2006, and her family will be honored for her service to NCAI and the NCAI Youth Commission

8:00 am - Noon NCAI Youth Commission General Assembly

8:00 am – 8:15 am Opening of the NCAI Youth Commission General Assembly
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8:15 a.m. – 9:15 am Fundraising
Mellor Willie, Director of Development, NCAI

9:15 am – 10:00 am Dialogue and Discussion with National Aboriginal Youth Council of Canada
Jocelyn Formsma, President of the National Aboriginal Youth Council

10:00 am – 11:00 am NCAI Policy Research Center open dialogue on Tribal Governance
Sarah Hicks, Director, NCAI Policy Research Center
Christy Finsel, Research Assistant, NCAI Policy Research Center

11:00 am – 11:20 am UNITY Presentation
J.R. Cook, Executive Director, UNITY, Inc.
Hannah Ward, Co-President of the National UNITY Council's Executive Committee
Matthias Lupe, Co-President of the National UNITY Council's Executive Committee

11:20 am – 11:40 am Partnership with the National Indian Child Welfare Association
Terry Cross, Executive Director, National Indian Child Welfare Association, invited

- 11:40 am – Noon Ohkay Owingeh Education and Preservation Program
The presentation will be given by students from the Program: Wanda Abeyta, Jonathan Cata, Juanito Aquino, Lute Muntz, Victoria Aquino, and Lewis Romero. Tom Peterson, AOL-B, and Tomasita Duran, Ohkay Owingeh Housing Authority, are responsible for the oversight of the program.
- Noon - 1:30 pm Former Miss NCAI Honor Luncheon
NCAI would like to honor the women that have served as Miss NCAI from its inception in 1968. We will honor each of the women and will have an opportunity for the first Miss NCAI, Marti Thomas from the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, and the current Miss NCAI, Brooke Grant of the Hoopa Valley Tribe, to make remarks to their fellow Miss NCAI representatives.
- 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm Ambassador Leadership Program Applicants Interviews will be conducted during this time (only ALP applicants will be allowed in the interview room)
- 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm NCAI Youth Commission General Assembly**

Personal Development

- 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm Academic Planning/Success in College
- 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm Scholarship Opportunities
- 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm Financial Planning
- 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm Volunteering/Service opportunities
- 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm Leadership Workshop
- 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm Combatting Substance Abuse

- 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm Ambassador Leadership Program

Wednesday, October 4

8:00 am - Noon NCAI Youth Commission General Assembly

- 8:00 am – 8:15 am Opening of the NCAI Youth Commission General Assembly
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Alyssa Dixon, Youth Commission Representative, Gila River Indian Community*
- 8:15 am – 9:00 am Youth Commission Talking Circle
Discussion and open dialogue of the topics included in the 63rd Annual Convention and how the Youth Commission can impact the national tribal agenda

Health Day

- 9:00 am – Noon NCAI Youth Commission to help with Health Day and Health Walk
- 11:00 am – Noon NCAI Health Walk

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm **NCAI General Assembly**

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm Gala Banquet

Thursday, October 5

8:00 am – 5:00pm **NCAI General Assembly**

1:40 pm – 1:50 pm Youth Commission Report from the Youth Commission Representatives and Miss NCAI 2005 (include the introduction of the new Youth Ambassadors)

Friday, October 6

8:00 am – Noon **NCAI General Assembly**

9:00 am – 9:15 am Youth Ambassadors Announcements and Memorials