

Native American Heritage Celebration 2016

Re-thinking Columbus: A Movement Towards Indigenous Peoples Day

Monday, October 10, 2016

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Cook DeWitt

Event is LIB 100 and 201 Approved!

This program will feature a panel discussion to take a deeper look at the history of what is now known as Columbus Day in much of the United States of America. Panelists will discuss the historical and social impact of the colonization of the Americas, as well as current movements that challenge the holiday. Students are encouraged to interact with the panel through relevant questions and discussion. The program will also include a Native drum circle and cultural teachings.

Diversity Brown Bag Series Presents: Preserving the Norton Burial Mounds

Thursday, October 20, 2016

4:00 - 5:30 pm

2263 Kirkhof Center

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The 55 acre Norton Mound National Historic Landmark is one of only a few surviving Hopewellian burial mound groups that were once present in the lower Grand River Valley and the only one of which the mounds themselves are still in existence. The historical significance of this site was recognized in 1965 when it was designated as a National Historic Landmark.

Dr. Jeff Chivis will facilitate an interactive workshop that will include current efforts to restore the burial mounds and capture the personal stories of the families and ancestors. Dr. Chivis is a citizen of Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi and a faculty member in the GVSU Anthropology Department.

Native American Student Association (NASA) Day of Service

Saturday, October 22, 2016

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Off Campus Location

Join us for a NASA-sponsored service project as we help with clean-up efforts of the Norton Mound National Historic Landmark. The 55-acre Norton Mound National Historic Landmark is one of a few surviving Hopewellian burial mound groups that were once present in the lower Grand River Valley. It is the only one where the mounds still exist. NASA is working with the Grand Rapids Public Museum and local Native community members to ensure proper respect and honor is given during the project. **Space is limited; pre-registration required. Send an email to Kristie Scanlon, scanlokr@gvsu.edu, to reserve your spot.**

Friday Film Screenings Real Injun

Friday, November 4, 2016

12:00-2:00 pm

1240 Kirkhof Center

The Canary Effect

Friday, November 11, 2016

12:00-2:00 pm

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