



California Cultural Heritage Pavilion

California Native American Day Planning Committee

July 12, 2023

Dear Cultural Practitioner,

The California Water Boards invite you to apply to showcase a cultural practice at the 56th Annual California Native American Day Cultural Heritage Pavilion. The deadline to submit an application to be considered as a cultural practitioner is August 18.

The 56th Annual California Native American Day
Friday, September 22, 2023 - State Capitol
*"Protecting Our People Through Sovereignty:
Past, Present, and Future"*
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Starting in 1939, Native American Day is considered a time-honored tradition in the California Native American community. This is an all-nations event where every tribe, tribal community, and member of the public is welcome. This event is hosted by the California Tribal Chairpersons Association.

The Cultural Heritage Pavilion is an opportunity for cultural practitioners to share cultural practices, wisdom, language, and history with Native American Day attendees. Ten cultural practitioners will be selected to have a table in the Cultural Heritage Pavilion tent and demonstrate a cultural practice. To apply to be considered as a cultural practitioner, please submit a completed application by August 18. Selected practitioners will be notified by late August. The application can be accessed by clicking this [link](#) to a Microsoft form. If you have any trouble accessing the form, please reach out.

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Here's what you can expect as a cultural practitioner:

- Prepare and deliver a cultural practice demonstration to attendees as they visit the Pavilion.
- Prepare a written description and photo of your cultural practice (if appropriate) to be included in the printed event program.
- Share a spacious tent on the state capitol grounds with nine other cultural practitioners, each with individual tables.
- Set up your table beginning at 8:00 am.
- Receive a small honorarium for your time and expertise.
- The planning committee will respect and value the cultural wisdom and expertise shared.
- The planning committee will provide information to selected practitioners about day-of logistics.
- The planning committee will actively outreach to schools and organizations to encourage active participation and attendance to learn from cultural practitioners.

If you cannot participate, please direct this invitation to other cultural practitioners you believe may be interested in participating. For more information about Native American Day, please visit Facebook at www.facebook.com/NativeAmericanDay/ or the event website californianativeamericanday.com.

Feel free to contact us should you have questions.

Thank you,

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