

## YOU ARE INVITED TO THE

## INDIGENOUS CULTURAL TRAIL DEDICATION

WHAT: Indiana Dunes Indigenous Cultural Trail Dedication

WHERE: Indiana Dunes Visitor Center at 1215 N. State Rd. 49. Porter, IN

WHEN: Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 3:00 pm

PROGRAM: Join us to celebrate and commemorate the Indiana Dunes Indigenous Cultural Trail.

- 3:00 pm: Welcome public & opening remarks
- 3:30 pm: Veterans raise Tribal & American flags
  - Performance by dancers & drummer
- 4:30 pm: Fire pit gathering & Red Tail Hawk program

RSVP: Monday, September 18 to julie@indianadunes.com or 219-926-2255

Together, Indiana Dunes Tourism, the National Park Service, the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi, and the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma invite you and a guest to join us for this special dedication. The Indiana Dunes Indigenous Cultural Trail will share Indigenous perspectives through stories and sculptures. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Trail Planning Team



## TRAIL TODAY!



#### **FIVE PARTNERS**

Indiana Dunes Tourism Miami Tribe of Oklahoma National Park Service Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Field Museum

#### **FIVE THEMES**

Water Sustainability / adaptation Seasons and cycles Connection Living things that teach us













# MIAMI & POTAWATOMI TESTIMONIALS

"Through our work on the Indiana Dunes Indigenous Cultural Trail you honor the history of Miami people in the area and educate thousands of visitors about that history and about the Miami Tribe today. Our collaboration also led to the composition of the Indiana Dunes Land Acknowledgment.

When contacted by other organizations about land acknowledgments, I always refer them to yours as an example of the true meaning and purpose of a land acknowledgment. Through the land acknowledgment, you demonstrate the value of our mutual engagement and reflect a determination to extend an on-going relationship. Your statement truly represents a commitment by Indiana Dunes to continue to engage the people whose ancestors have been here since time immemorial."

Diane Hunter
Former Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Miami Tribe of Oklahoma



"The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi desires to educate visitors and residents regarding their ties to the Indiana Dunes area and the presence of Indigenous peoples today and during historic times. Having representatives of multiple tribes helping to develop the Indiana Dunes Indigenous Cultural Trail ensures that the project is being done in a good way, considering the viewpoints of all those involved. With the development of the trail, visitors and residents will be able to relate better to the tribes of the region, knowing more about their history, language, and culture."

Jennifer Kanine, PhD. AWB® Director, Department of Natural Resources Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians



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