



WE ARE THE SEEDS: SANTA FE AT THE SANTA FE RAILYARD PARK, AUGUST 15-16, 2019

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – June 4, 2019; Santa Fe, NM: We Are the Seeds of CultureTrust is an Indigenous women-led, responsive, collaborative non-profit organization that is committed to working with Indigenous artists to produce unique and progressive art and culture events. In its third year, We Are the Seeds Santa Fe, the 2-day event at the Santa Fe Railyard Park, will be a joyful celebration that includes music, dance, fashion, literary arts, family-friendly programs, and delicious traditional Native foods. *Tickets are pay-what-you-wish/suggested donation of \$10 and are available at the door or online at wearetheseeds.ticketleap.com/seedssf2019/.*

The event will host approximately 75 artists representing a diversity of cultures and regions. Artists include renowned painter Brent Greenwood (Chickasaw/Ponca), Hopi potter Gwen Setalla, master jeweler Julius Keyonnie (Dine'), traditional Cedar weaver Violet Elliot (Coast Salish), fashion jewelry designer Marco Arviso (Dine'), and writer Colleen Farwell (Crow) with the debut of her children's book 'I Will Carry You'.

During the event, featured artists will share their art by demonstrating techniques and artistry for visitors. The Seeds Stage includes Master of Ceremonies Sherenté Harris (Narragansett) and performances by singer songwriter Zachariah Julian (Jicarilla Apache), DJ Celeste Worl (Tlingit), local favorite Jacob Shijie (Santa Clara Pueblo), renowned storyteller Tchin, and Na'hoy Let'sii Hopi Dancers.

Seeds Santa Fe will feature a variety of interactive experiences for visitors including Arrowsoul Art and Live Screen-Printing workshops by Sabawear, corn husk doll making with Dawn Spears, and a fun evening of Native American social dances.

We Are the Seeds Santa Fe Event Schedule:

Art Show and Sale

Thursday, August 15– 10a-6p

Friday, August 16– 10a-6p

Performance Stage

Thursday, August 15– 10a-4:30p

Friday, August 16– 10a-6p

Basket Weavers Collective

August 15-16/10a-6p

Elder basket weavers representing Apache, Pueblo, Coast Salish, and Dine' communities will convene to work, share, and discuss their traditions and techniques.

Archival photo project with photographer Roberto Jackson (Gila River)

August 15-16/times TBD

A studio will be created on site to capture formal portraits of We Are the Seeds artists, performers, and participants to document and honor those who are an integral part of the Seeds movement. Curated images will be displayed online and as part of a future gallery exhibition. Visitors will have the opportunity to have their portrait taken by Roberto for a fee.

Youth Art Creation Station/Arrowsoul Art and Live screen printing by Sabawear (Dine'/Walatowa)

August 15-16/10a-6p

Visitors will learn about screen printing processes and make their own designs with hands on instruction.

Corn Husk Doll Workshop with Dawn Spears (Narragansett/Choctaw)

August 15-16/10a-6p

Visitors are invited to make a cornhusk doll and learn about their purpose and history.

Honor Women Project

August 15-16/10a-6p

Seeds Santa Fe will highlight and honor Indigenous women artists. Each of the featured artists will share and demonstrate their techniques for visitors.

Complete the Circle Program with Sherenté Harris (Narragansett)

August 15-16/2p-2:30p

Sherenté Mishitashin Harris intertwines the stories of his cultural path with his Two Spirit identity, to evoke an emotion that sparks dialogue regarding ideologies that are too often silenced. Through writing, speaking, performance, and visual art, Sherenté opposes the prolonged issue of Indigenous invisibility and brings about positive cultural change for LGBTQ+ and Two Spirit people within Indigenous communities.

Evening Social Dances and Benefit Indian Taco + Pueblo Stew Dinner

August 15/4:30p

An evening of song and social dances led by Sherenté Harris (Narragansett).

Following the tradition of our communities, Seeds will host an evening of social dances. These dances encourage community participation and help to keep traditions alive. Benefit dinner tickets will be \$15 and will be available online starting July 15.

'I Will Carry You' Fashion Event produced by ACONAV (Acoma Pueblo)

August 16/Time TBD

A unique and fabulous interactive fashion art event. Designers will create looks inspired by 'I Will Carry You', a children's book authored by Colleen Farwell (Crow).

About We Are the Seeds

We Are the Seeds is a nonprofit organization founded and led by a team of Indigenous women who are dedicated to educating the world about art and culture as it relates to understanding Indigenous people, the history of the United States, and who we all are as American people today. The organization produces cultural events that feature fine art, music, dance, fashion, literary, and culinary art. Additionally, We Are the Seeds hosts interactive art programs and workshops that focus on educating and empowering the youth.

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