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Native American Beading Class

Portland, Indiana. Katrina Mitten, of Huntington, Indiana, will teach a class on traditional beading to ages 12 and up on May 14, 2011 at the Jay County Public Library, 315 North Ship Street in Portland. The class begins at 10 and ends at 4 with a one hour break for lunch. Katrina is a member of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma and is a direct descendant of Chief Little Turtle's sister Tacumwah and also of Chiefs Richardville and Lafontaine. Katrina has also been involved with numerous films about Native Americans. She is nationally-known for her beautiful traditional beaded objects, which she has displayed at many venues, including the Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians and Western Art, Santa Fe Indian Market and Angel Mounds. She has been honored with an Eiteljorg Indian Market Purchase Award.

In this class Katrina will teach participants her own beading techniques as they make and complete their own items. Class is limited to age 12 and up. The class fee of \$40 includes instruction and all materials. Lunch is on your own or you may bring a sack lunch. Participants should be pre-registered before May 6. For more information please contact Kay Neumayr at 765-426-3022 or kay.neumayr@ncglnac.com.

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National Center for Great Lakes Native American Culture, Inc. was formed as a not-for-profit 501(c)3 educational organization. The Center is composed of Native and non-Native members whose mission is to continue and preserve traditional Great Lakes Native American art, history and culture by helping pass those traditions on to Native People and by educating the general public about the importance of Great Lakes Native peoples, their art, history and culture. NCGLNAC owns nearly 30 acres (generously donated by the Jay County Fair Board) of beautiful, wooded land, complete with pond and wetlands, located just north of the Jay County Fairgrounds in Portland. The first ethno-botanical hiking trail was opened to the public in 2008.

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