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8th Annual NCGLNAC Academic Conference

Portland, IN. John Jay Center for Learning, 101 South Meridian Street in Portland, Indiana, is the site for the 8th Annual Academic Conference by National Center for Great Lakes Native American Culture, Inc. to be held April 20, 2013. The conference is sponsored in part by the Jay County Visitor and Tourism Bureau.

A Community Partnership Grant from Old National Bank Foundation will make it possible for NCGLNAC to offer scholarships for interested area school teachers and youth and Native American adults and youth to attend this year's conference.

The subject of the 2013 conference is "*Current Research in Great Lakes Native American Culture.*" Four outstanding educators will present their current research on the pre-historic and historic Great Lakes Native peoples. Each hour-long presentation will be unique in its own perspective. Attendees will learn fascinating information about Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, Serpent Mound National Historic Site, Fort St. Joseph Archaeological Project and the Miami language and culture revitalization.

Presenters are

William R. Iseminger – Illinois, Assistant Site Manager/Public Relations, Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site

Cahokia Mounds: America's First City

Dr. William F. Romain, Ohio, Director, Serpent Mound Project, Research Associate, Newark Earthworks

Serpent Mound Revealed: Results of Recent Archaeological Investigations

Dr. Michael Nassaney, Michigan, Professor of Anthropology, Western Michigan University, Principal Investigator, Fort St. Joseph

Who Lived at Fort St. Joseph? The Archaeology of a Multi-Ethnic Community in 18th Century New France

George Ironstrack, Ohio, Citizen, Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, Assistant Director and Education Coordinator, Myaamia Project, Miami University

Myaamia Language and Culture Revitalization: Aacimoona nechi Aalshoohkaana (Narratives and Winter Stories)

Registration before April 13 is \$30, \$20 for students with photo identification. Late registrations are \$35. Lunch is included, however lunch cannot be guaranteed for registrants on the day of the Conference. Contact: Conference Secretary Kay Neumayr at 765-426-3022 or kay.neumayr@ncglnac.com for more information.

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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