

Deyhontsigwa'ehs

The Creator's Game, Lacrosse Weekend—Thursday 28 Sept – Sunday 1 Oct 2017

- 1. Haudenosaunee Wooden Stick Festival @ Softball Fields, Onondaga Nation, 28-30 September
- 2. Lax All-Stars North American Invitational Box Tournament @ Tsh'Thon'nhes "Fieldhouse," Onondaga Nation, 28-30 September
- 3. Thompson Brothers presentations and N7 camp for Native American Youth, @ Softball Fields, Onondaga Nation, 29-30 September
- 4. International Field Scrimmage between SU Iroquois Nationals Team Israel @ Carrier Dome, 1 October

Lacrosse returns to CNY with Dehontsigwa'ehs: The Creator's Game, Lacrosse Weekend, to be held on Onondaga Nation territory, and @ SU's Carrier Dome. Onondaga last brought the game of lacrosse home in 2015, by hosting the World Indoor Lacrosse Championship.

The Indigenous Values Initiative (501C3), is the educational collaborative with the Onondaga Nation, uniting four separate entities:

- 1. The **Haudenosaunee Wooden Stick Festival**—which is the educational outreach festival for lax athletes and the community at large, featuring speakers & demonstrations in areas of: Lacrosse; Wooden Stick Making; Native Foods; Arts; Traditional Dance; and Culture. "The Spirit Game, Pride of a Nation," will be shown daily—learn how the Creator's Game impacts the world today! All these events FREE!
- 2. Lacrosse All-Stars North American Invitational (LASNAI) Box Lacrosse tournament, is bringing in the most elite box lacrosse players from around the world to play in the beautiful new "Fieldhouse" called Tsha' Thoñ'nhes ("Where They Play Ball"). LASNAI will feature 21 elite teams from 6 countries around the world, including defending Haudenosaunee champions, The Thompson Brothers. Games: 8 AM to midnight each day both inside the Fieldhouse and outside in the Old Box. LASNAI indoor tickets are \$15/day or \$25/tournament.
- 3. The Thompson Brothers presentations and (give back) N7 camp for Native kids, will also be held on the outside fields.
- 4. **SU Lacrosse Program hosts: International Lacrosse Scrimmages**: WEEKEND SUNDAY CAPOFF: an exciting event featuring three world-class teams: the Iroquois Nationals, Syracuse University and Team Israel. Tickets are \$10 and parking \$5. Advanced sale tickets for LASNAI tournament and SU scrimmages will be available soon. Info updates at (http://indigenousvalues.org/lacrosse-weekend/).

We live in the heartland of lacrosse – homeland to the Haudenosaunee Confederacy. Dehontshigwa'ehs was played over 1,000 years ago at Onondaga Lake, where five warring Nations came together in peace. Since time immemorial, the Haudenosaunee wooden stick game has been an integral part of a peacemaking process that fosters the proper, reciprocal relationships between human beings, and the natural world. It is a component to the Great Law of Peace, which is the foundation of the Haudenosaunee (People of the Longhouse) Confederacy.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT