

Native American Community Services of Erie & Niagara Counties, Inc. (NACS)

*"All Our Relations" Project Cordially Invites You to*



## **"Voices of the Community – Developing Strategies to Promote Indigenous Healing"**



An Event in Observance of the National Day of Racial Healing

Sponsored by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation

*Featuring*

**Screenings of Four Native Documentaries & Group Discussions after Each Film**

**Tuesday, January 16, 2018**

**At NACS, 1005 Grant St., Buffalo NY 14207**

### **AGENDA**

**9:00 am**      **Opening & Welcome Comments**

**9:15 am**      **"More Than a Word"** -- A film about Native American-based sports mascots and the Washington Redskins which offers a fascinating look at the movement to change the name of the Washington football team, within the broader context of Native history & racial stereotyping

**10:40 am**      **"My Own Private Lower Post"** -- a powerful, beautiful healing story from Duane Gastant' Aucoin, a Two-Spirited Tlingit, as he seeks to understand how his mother's trials at a residential boarding school influenced his life. As she shares her story, he comes to realize how he, too, is a survivor and shares how their healing journeys can be grounded within traditional Tlingit culture \*

**12:00 pm**      **"The Dawes Commission"** -- presented by the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, this film describes the Dawes Act, a federal attempt to mandate individual ownership by Natives on their own land and to force them to abandon their ancestral, communal rights to their Indigenous land base \*

**1:10 pm**      **"Awake -- A Dream from Standing Rock"** – this film tells the dramatic story of the historic #NODAPL Native-led peaceful resistance at the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation in North Dakota. Tens of thousands of activists traveled to North Dakota from all over the world to take a stand alongside the "water protectors"

**4:00 pm**      **Thanks & Closing of the National Day of Racial Healing at NACS**

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- ⊕ **Each film WILL START ON TIME, and people may attend any film(s) as you are able to**
- ⊕ **There will be refreshments served throughout the day, with corn soup over lunchtime**
- ⊕ **This alcohol-free and drug-free event is FREE & OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY**
- ⊕ **Group discussions will be held after every film**
- ⊕ **\* Films asterisked indicate a substantial portion being spoken in the respective Native language**

For more information, please contact Pete Hill, "All Our Relations" Project Director at (716) 874-2797, ext. 348 or [phill@nacswny.org](mailto:phill@nacswny.org). RSVP's are appreciated but not needed for this event.

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