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*National Museum of the American Indian*

## **Racist Stereotypes and Cultural Appropriation in American Sports**

**Thursday, February 7, 2013, 10:15 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.**

**Rasmuson Theater  
National Museum of the American Indian  
4th Street and Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C.**

Join sports writers, scholars, authors, and representatives from sports and Native American organizations for lively panel discussions on racist stereotypes and cultural appropriation in American sports. Explore the mythology and psychology of sports stereotypes and mascots, examine the retirement of “Native American” sports references and collegiate efforts to revive them despite the NCAA’s policy against “hostile and abusive” names and symbols, and engage in a spirited community conversation about the name and logo of the Washington, D.C., professional football team. Reception to follow in the Museum’s Potomac Atrium.

Live webcast at: <http://nmai.si.edu/multimedia/webcasts/>

# **National Museum of the American Indian Symposium: Racist Stereotypes and Cultural Appropriation in American Sports**

## **PROGRAM**

**Welcome - 10:15 a.m.**

**Hon. Kevin Gover, Esq.**, Director, National Museum of the American Indian

**Mascot Origin Myths - 10:30 a.m.**

**Dr. Manley A. Begay, Jr.**, *Moderator*. Associate Social Scientist/Senior Lecturer, American Indian Studies Program, The University of Arizona; Co-Director, Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University; and Trustee, National Museum of the American Indian

**Dr. E. Newton Jackson**, Associate Provost and Professor of Sport Management, University of North Florida

**Dr. C. Richard King**, Co-Editor, *Team Spirits, Native Athletes in Sport and Society*, and *Encyclopedia of Native Americans in Sports*; and Professor and Chair, Department of Critical Gender & Race Studies, Washington State University

**Dr. Ellen Staurowsky**, Professor, Department of Sport Management, Goodwin School of Professional Studies, Drexel University

**Ms. Linda M. Waggoner**, Author, *Fire Light: The Life of Angel De Cora, Winnebago Artist*, and "Playing Indian, Dreaming Indian: The Trial of William 'Lone Star' Dietz" (*Montana: The History Magazine*, Spring 2013); and Lecturer, Multicultural Studies, Sonoma State University

**Lunch on your own - 12:15 p.m.**

**Case Studies on Addressing "Indian" Stereotyping in American Sports - 1:30 p.m.**

**Dr. Suzan Shown Harjo**, *Moderator*. President, The Morning Star Institute; Columnist, *Indian Country Today Media Network*; Past Executive Director, National

Congress of American Indians; and a Founding Trustee, National Museum of the American Indian

**Dr. Lee Hester**, Associate Professor and Director of American Indian Studies and Director of the Meredith Indigenous Humanities Center, The University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma

**Ms. Lois J. Risling**, Educator; Land Specialist for the Hoopa Valley Tribes; and Retired Director, Center for Indian Community Development, Humboldt State University

**N. Bruce Duthu, Esq.**, Chair and Professor, Native American Studies, Dartmouth College

**Delise O'Meally, Esq.**, Director of Governance and International Affairs, National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)

**Hon. Ben Nighthorse Campbell**, Council of Chiefs, Northern Cheyenne Tribe; President, Nighthorse Consultants; Trustee, National Museum of the American Indian; Award-winning Artist/Jeweler; U.S. Representative of Colorado (1987-1993); and U.S. Senator of Colorado (1992-2005)

**Break - 3:30 p.m.**

**A Community Conversation about the Washington NFL Team Name - 3:45 p.m.**

**Dr. Philip J. Deloria**, *Moderator*. Author, *Playing Indian* and *Indians in Unexpected Places*; Professor, History and American Studies, and Associate Dean, Undergraduate Education, College of Literature, Science and the Arts, University of Michigan; and Trustee, National Museum of the American Indian

**Hon. Judith Bartnoff, Esq.**, Deputy Presiding Judge, Civil Division, District of Columbia Superior Court

**Mr. Erik Brady**, Sports Reporter, *USA Today*

**Rev. Graylan Hagler**, Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ, and Immediate Past President, Ministers for Racial, Social and Economic Justice

**Mr. Robert I. Holden**, Deputy Director, National Congress of American Indians

**Mr. Mike Wise**, Sports Columnist, *The Washington Post*