

SAIGE 13th Annual National Training Program

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Sunday, June 5

Time	Remaining Board, Planning Committee, Youth Arrive	Location
8:30-9:30 pm	Student Youth Program Private Reception – Introduction of SAIGE Board & Sponsors of the Youth Track; ice breakers	Sky Room

Monday, June 6

Time	Topic	Location
8:30 - 12:00	Exhibits Setup	Sequoyah 2/3
8:30 - 5:00	<b>Youth Program Gathering –</b> JoAnn Brant, Youth Program Director, Students	Cherokee Salon D
8:30 – 10:00	Planning Committee Meeting	Wolf Room
10:00 - 10:30	Registration Volunteers Meeting	Wolf Room
10:30 - 11:00	Moderators' Review Meeting	Deer 2
12:30 - 5:00	Pre-Registered Attendee Bag Pick-up Open	Registration Area
1:00 – 5:00	<b>USDA Pre-Training Forum-</b> Frederick Cheng, USDA Diversity and Inclusion Program Manager	Sequoyah I
1:00 – 5:00	Pre-Training Agency Forums/ Affiliate Group meetings Break: 2:30 - 3:30	Sequoyah 6
2:30 - 3:30	Coffee Available	Sequoyah 2/3
3:30 - 4:15	Introduction to SAIGE –A Short Informal Session by SAIGE Board members	Deer 2
4:30 - 6:00	On-site Registration - for those who have not registered online	Registration Area
5:00 - 6:30	New Member Table -Join Now, Get a Gift!	Sequoyah Foyer North
7:00 – 8:30	<b>Cultural Reception</b>	Sky Room

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Tuesday, June 7

National Training Program – Plenary Session		
Time	Topic	Location
7:30AM	<b>Smudging Ceremony</b> – all are invited	
7:00 - 8:20AM	Breakfast	
7:30AM-5:00PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Sequoyah 2/3
7:30 - 10:00AM	Registration	Registration Area
8:00 - 8:30AM	<b>GENERAL PLENARY SESSION:</b> <b>Opening of the National Training Program</b> <b>Presentation of Colors</b> – Osage Color Guard <b>Veterans Honoring Song</b> – Osage Drum	Sequoyah 4/5
8:30 - 8:45 AM	<b>Opening Remarks</b> – Fredericka Joseph, Chair	
8:45 - 9:05 AM	<b>Welcome and Tribal Overview</b> – Principal Chief John Baker, Cherokee Nation	
9:05 - 9:25 AM	<b>Welcome and Tribal Overview-</b> Chief John Floyd, Muscogee (Creek) Nation	
9:25 – 9:45 AM	<b>Welcome and Tribal Overview–</b> Chief Geoffrey Standing Bear, Osage Nation	
9:45 – 10:45 AM	<b>Youth Program Introduction of Students</b> – JoAnn Brant, SAIGE Youth Program Director, Environmental Protection Agency	
10:45 – 11:00 AM	BREAK	Sequoyah 2/3
11:00- 11:30	OPM Representative	Sequoyah 4/5
12:00 - 1:15 PM	<b>Luncheon: Speaker</b> – LaDonna Harris- President of Americans for Indian Opportunity	Sky Room

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Concurrent Breakout Sessions		
Time/Track	Topic	Location
1:30 - 2:45PM		
Indian Country/ Federal Indian Law	<b>Indians 101: Understanding the Basics-</b> Jay Spaan, Government Accountability Office, Senior Analyst, Natural Resource and Environment team	Sequoyah I
Professional Development	<b>Seizing Leadership Opportunities Regardless of Your Title-</b> Fred Sotos, OPM	Sequoyah 6
Indigenous Natural Resources/ Culture	<b>Tribal Nurseries and Greenhouses-</b> Cheryle Zwang, BLM, and Jeremy Pinto, USDA	Deer I
EEO & HR	<b>EEO Potpourri-</b> Patricia St. Claire	Deer 2
2:45- 3:00	BREAK	
Time/Track	Topic	Location
3:15 - 4:30 pm		
Indian Country/ Federal Indian Law	<b>Essential Building Blocks for Tribal Economic Development: Tribal Codes and Self-Governance-</b> Steven Manydeeds, BIA Minerals and Energy; Ken Bellmard, Counsel, Kaw Nation	Sequoyah I
Professional Development	<b>Tips for Career Success-</b> James Wesaw, Michigan Potawatomi Tribe	Sequoyah 6
Natural Resources/ Culture	<b>Maintaining Knowledge for Future Generations:</b> Vann Big Horse, Osage Nation Director	Deer I
EEO & HR	<b>Responsibilities of an American Indian SEPM-</b> Cynthia Dunn, IRS, TE/GE, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion	Deer 2
	Evening Event	
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	<b>Recognition and Awards Reception –</b> SAIGE Achievement Awards and Partnership Recognition	Sky Room

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Wednesday, June 8

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Time	Topic	Location
7:00 - 8:20AM	Breakfast	
7:30 - 10:00AM	Registration	Registration Area
7:30 AM - 5:00PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Sequoyah 2/3
8:00 - 8:20AM	<b>GENERAL PLENARY SESSION</b>	Sequoyah 4/5
8:20 - 9:15AM	Prayer Opening Remarks – <b>White House Updates/ Serving your Nation: Moving from Tribal Chairwoman to White House Advisor-</b> Karen Diver	
9:15 – 10:15 AM	<b>Unmet Needs in Indian Country- An Update on Actions Taken in Response to the 2003 US Commission on Civil Rights Report</b> – (Michael Black, Director, BIA & Jacqueline Pata, National Congress of American Indians, Invited)	
10:15– 10:30 AM	BREAK	
10:30-11:45 AM	<b>Serving Your Nation- Rewards and Challenges:</b> Wallace Coffey, Former Comanche Tribal Chairman and Cara Cowen Watts, Former Cherokee Nation Legislator	
12:00 - 1:15 PM	<b>Luncheon Speaker – Matika Wilbur -</b> Project 562 – Positive portrayals of contemporary Native America	Sky Room

**Wednesday Afternoon – Career Fair**

1:30 – 4:30 PM	<b>Career Fair and Community Outreach</b> – Free and open to the public	Sequoyah 2/3
1:30- 4:30 PM	Mentoring opportunities- Cynthia Dunn	
1:30 – 3:00 PM	Authors’ Book signing event: Stephen Pevar	

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1:30 - 2:45 PM		
Indian Country/ Federal Indian Law	<b>Building Tribal-Federal Relationships and Effective Communication-</b> Cheryl Zwang, BLM; Jerry Gidner, DOI; Chief Geoffrey Standing Bear, Osage	Sequoyah I
Indigenous Natural Resources/Culture	<b>Food Sovereignty is Tribal Sovereignty –</b> Ross Racine, Intertribal Agriculture Council; Herb Webb, Natural Resource Conservation Service, USDA	Sequoyah 6
EEO & HR	<b>Navigating USA Jobs –</b> Karlos Del Toro, Recruitment Policy and Outreach, Office of Personnel Management	Deer I
Professional Development	<b>Effective Mentoring Strategies-</b> Alex Tremble, National Park Service, Dept. of the Interior	Deer 2
2:45 – 3:15PM	BREAK	
Time/Track	Topic	Location
3:15 - 4:30PM		
Indian Country/ Federal Indian Law	<b>Fascinating Court Decisions and Thoughts on a Changing Supreme Court-</b> Stephen Pevar, ACLU	Sequoyah I
Professional Development	<b>Cultural Integrity in the Workplace-</b> Dr. James Pete, Guyaushk and Associates; Tribal government consultant and former Director of American Indian Studies at Northland College	Sequoyah 6
EEO & HR	<b>New IQ (Inclusion Quotient)-</b> Anthony Barnes	Deer 2
	Evening Events	Location
6:00- 7:30 pm	<b>Traditional Crafts Demonstrations –</b> Beading and Shawl Fringing; Learn how to bead and fringe, materials provided	Sequoyah I
7:30- 9:00 PM	<b>“Red Power Energy”</b> Rocky Mountain PBS documentary	Sequoyah 5

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7:00 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast	
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Registration	Registration Area
7:30 AM-5:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Sequoyah 2/3
8:30 AM– 2:30 PM	<b><i>Veterans’ Program – See Separate Veterans’ Agenda</i></b>	
Concurrent Breakout Sessions		
Time/Track	Topic	Location
8:30 – 9:45 AM		
Indian Country/ Federal Indian Law	<b>Effects of Mascots on Native Students-</b> Dr. Hugh Foley, Professor, Rogers State	Sequoyah I
Professional Development	<b>Rising up from technical staff to management-</b> Marcellus Proctor, Acting Assistant Chief, Electrical Engineering Division, NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)	Sequoyah 6
Indigenous Natural Resources/ Culture	<b>EthnoEcology/ Cherokee Seed Bank Program-</b> Pat Gwin, Cherokee Nation, Natural Resources	Deer I
EEO & HR	<b>Crucial Conversations-</b> Christina Navarrette-Watson, IRS	Deer 2
9:45 - 10:00AM	BREAK	Sequoyah 2/3
Time/Track	Topic	Location
10:00–11:15 AM		
Indian Country/ Federal Indian Law	<b>Congressional Priorities and Updates:</b> Rhonda Harjo, Deputy Chief Counsel, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs	Sequoyah I
Professional Development	<b>Leadership and the SES Panel:</b> Alex Tremble, NPS; Nancy Berryhill, SSA; & Jerry Gidner, DOI	Sequoyah 6
Indigenous Natural Resources/ Culture	<b>Peoria Tribe's Efforts on the Neosho River Watershed</b> - Erin Arnall and Aaron Epperson, Environmental Specialists, Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma	Deer I
EEO & HR	<b>Effective Recruitment Strategies-</b> Karlos Del Toro, Recruitment Policy and Outreach, Office of Personnel Management	Deer 2
11:30 – 12:00	BREAK	
12:00 - 1:30PM	Lunch on your Own	

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1:30 - 2:45PM		
Indian Country/ Federal Indian Law	<b>Judicial Updates/ Effects-</b> Michael McBride, Of Counsel Crowe and Dunlevy	Sequoyah I
Indigenous Natural Resources/ Culture	<b>Significance of Arts &amp; Music to Native Culture:</b> Tim Tate Nevaquaya, Artist/ Musician	Sequoyah 6
Professional Development	<b>Mapping Your Career-</b> Veronica Vasquez, SAIGE Board of Directors; and Cynthia Dunn, IRS, TE/GE, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion	Deer I
2:45 – 3:15PM	BREAK	Sequoyah 2/3
3:15 – 5:00 PM	Topic	Location
3:15 – 3:30	<b>Plenary Session</b> <b>Closing Remarks: Fredericka Joseph, SAIGE Chair</b>	Sequoyah 4/5
3:30 – 4:30	Youth Presentation: SAIGE Student Youth Program	
4:30 – 4:45	SAIGE 2017 Presentation	
4:45 - 5:00	Closing Prayer- Retreat of Colors: SAIGE Warrior Society	
5:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Breakdown	
	Evening Event	
7:00- 9:00 PM	Powwow	Sequoyah 1 & 6

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Friday, June 10

7:00 - 8:30AM	Breakfast on Your Own	Several Onsite Options
8:00 - 9:30 AM	Planning Committee Breakfast	Deer I
10:00 AM - 4:30 PM	<b>SAIGE Annual Board Meeting</b>	Wolf Room
<b>THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF SAIGE</b> <b>Safe Travels and We'll See you in 2017!</b>		

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