

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	<i>Student Youth Program Private Reception</i> – Introduction of SAIGE Board, and Sponsors of the Youth Track	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	Sequoyah Foyer North
7:00 – 8:30	<b>Cultural Reception - Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women –</b> Traditional Dress presentation (invited)- Demonstration Dancing	Sky Room

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National Training Program – Plenary Session		
Time	Topic	Location
7:30AM	<b>Smudging Ceremony</b> – all are invited	
7:00 - 8:00 AM	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: Opening of the 2016 National Training Program 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	Khalilah M. Harris, Senior Advisor in the Office of the Director, Office of Personnel Management	Sequoyah 4/5
12:00 - 1:15 PM	<b>Luncheon: Speaker</b> – La Donna Harris - President, 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, Senior Analyst, Government Accountability Office	Sequoyah I
Professional Development	<b>Seizing Leadership Opportunities Regardless of Your Title-</b> Fred Sotos, Office of Personnel Management	Sequoyah 6
Indigenous Natural Resources/ Culture	<b>Tribal Nurseries and Greenhouses-</b> Cheryle Zwang, Special Assistant, State Director's Office, Bureau of Land Management, Kenneth Pete, Horticulturist, Shoshone-Pauiute Tribe	Deer I
Indigenous Natural Resources/ Culture	<b>The BIA Water Project Program</b> – Archie Barnes, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and student panel	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, Director, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, Division of Energy and Mineral Development; Ken Bellmard, Counsel, Kaw Nation	Sequoyah I
Professional Development	<b>Tips for Career Success</b> - Jason Wesaw, Government Manager, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi	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
	<b>Evening Event</b>	
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	<b>Recognition and Awards Reception</b> – SAIGE Achievement Awards and Partnership Recognition – Entertainment provided by Don Chapman and Keith Secola	Sky Room

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Wednesday, June 8

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Time	Topic	Location
7:00 - 8:00 AM	Breakfast	
7:30 - 10:00AM	Registration	Registration Area
7:30 AM - 5:00PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Sequoyah 2/3
8:00 - 8:20AM 8:20 - 9:15AM 9:15 – 10:15 AM	<b>GENERAL PLENARY SESSION</b> Prayer Song- Tilford Brown, Veterans Administration Moderator – Wesley Wilson <b>White House Updates/ Serving your Nation: Moving from Tribal Chairwoman to White House Advisor-</b> Karen Diver, Special Assistant to the President for Native American Affairs  <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, Bureau of Indian Affairs	Sequoyah 4/5
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> , acclaimed photographer and social documentarian - 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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Indian Country/ Federal Indian Law	<b>Jeopardy -- Federal-Tribal Style (Tribal-Federal relationship building)</b> - Chief Geoffrey Standing Bear, Osage Nation; Cheryl Zwang, Bureau of Land Management; Jerry Gidner, Department of the Interior	Sequoyah I
Indigenous Natural Resources/Culture	<b>Food Security and Tribal Sovereignty</b> - Ross Racine, Executive Director for the Intertribal Agriculture Council; <b>NRCS Seasonal High Tunnel Program with Tribes</b> - 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 Youth Employment Program Coordinator, National Park Service, Department 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 Affecting Tribes and Thoughts on a Changing Supreme Court</b> - Stephen Pevar, Senior Counsel, American Civil Liberties Union	Sequoyah I
Professional Development	<b>Cultural Integrity in the Workplace</b> - Dr. James Pete, Guyaushk and Associates; Tribal government consultant	Sequoyah 6
EEO & HR	<b>New IQ (Inclusion Quotient)</b> - Anthony Barnes, Program Manager, Affirmative Employment and Diversity Management, Nuclear Regulatory Commission	Deer 1
Indigenous Natural Resources /Culture	<b>Opportunities and Challenges for Energy Development in Indian Country</b> – Jill Jones, Board Chair, Osage Nation Energy Services, and Member LLC DOE Indian Country Energy & Infrastructure Working Group (ICEIWG)	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- Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women	Sequoyah I
7:30- 8:30 PM 8:30 – 9:00 PM Q & A session	<b>“Red Power Energy”</b> Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Service Documentary on Tribal energy development, 2016. Film is one hour. Introduction, Q & A with Director Larry Pourier	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 Administration Liaison, Natural Resources Division	Deer I
EEO & HR	<b>Crucial Conversations: Tools for Talking When Stakes Are High -</b> Christina Navarrete-Wasson, Director, Submission Processing, Fresno Internal Revenue Service	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, National Park Service; Nancy Berryhill, Social Security Administration; & Jerry Gidner, Department of the Interior	Sequoyah 6
Indigenous Natural Resources/ Culture	<b>Peoria Tribe's Efforts on the Neosho River Watershed -</b> Erin Arnall and Kyle Foster, 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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Time/Track 1:30 - 2:45PM	Topic	Location
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 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

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>	7 <sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room

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**Safe Travels - We'll See you in 2017!**

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