

## American Indian and Indigenous Collective (AIIC) 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium



# Native Feminisms

## Centering American Indian and Indigenous Land and People

This year's symposium will be held virtually over Zoom. To receive a Zoom link to join the symposium, [please register here](#).

### Schedule

**Fri. 2/19:** 10:00AM - 3:00PM PST

- **Laura Harjo Keynote:**  
12:45PM - 1:45PM PST

**Sat. 2/20:** 10:00AM - 3:00PM PST

- **Mishuana Goeman Keynote:**  
12:30PM - 1:30PM PST
- **Chumash Cultural Representatives Panel:**  
1:45PM - 2:55PM PST

**Sun. 2/21:** 10:00AM - 3:00PM PST

- **Discussion and Symposium Reflection:**  
1:45PM - 2:55PM PST

To view the full schedule, please visit the conference [website](#).

“What if we were to (re)write the map?”  
-- Mishuana Goeman

“Futurity consists of living out the futures of our ancestor relatives.”  
-- Laura Harjo

The 8<sup>th</sup> annual AIIC Symposium thinks in community with Dr. Mishuana Goeman (Tonawanda Band of Seneca) and Dr. Laura Harjo (Mvskoke) in order to focus Native feminisms and privilege the knowledge of Native women, girls, trans, non-binary, and two spirit people. Drs. Goeman and Harjo inspire us to explore how Native feminist cartographies help us remap and reimagine the relationship between people, kin, communities, temporality, and the land. Central questions to this year's AIIC theme include: What knowledge is created by and through a recentering of Native women, girls, two spirit, and LGBTQIA+ perspectives, lived experiences, and knowledge creation? How can communities use ideas stemming from Native feminisms for their own purposes, such as to facilitate community relations and cultural revitalization? Prioritizing embodied experience, positionality, and spatiality foregrounds relationships between bodies, minds, spirits, and lands as methods of knowledge creation.

There will be 6 panels; 2 keynotes; 3 related performance, activism, and lecture events; and more than 20 student (both undergraduate and graduate) and community speakers.



## Keynote Speakers:

- **Dr. Mishuana Goeman's (Tonawanda Band of Seneca)** research involves thinking through colonialism, geography and literature in ways that generate anti-colonial tools in the struggle for social justice. She is currently an Associate Professor of Gender Studies, the Chair of American Indian Studies Interdepartmental Program, and the Associate Director of American Indian Studies Research Center at UCLA.
- **Dr. Laura Harjo's (Mvskoke)** research and teaching centers on Indigenous spatialities, community caretaking, Indigenous feminist community planning praxis, Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Relatives and anti-violence, activism and community engaged knowledge production. She is currently an Associate Professor in Native American Studies at the University of Oklahoma.

The symposium website will be updated regularly. For more information, please visit: <https://sites.google.com/view/2021aiicnativefeminisms/home>.



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