

Donna M. Loring Lecture

Wabanaki Basketmaking Traditions Under Threat?

Art, Culture, and the Future of Maine Indian Basketmaking

When: Monday, October 1, 12 p.m.

Where: Ketchum Library, St. Francis Room, Biddeford Campus

Free and open to the public | Lunch will be provided

Sponsored by: Maine Women Writers Collection

Panelists:

Pam Outdusis Cunningham

Geo Neptune

Jennifer Neptune

Sarah Sockbeson

Moderator:

Darren Ranco

Come to a panel of award-winning Wabanaki Basketmakers and see examples of their baskets! Join Pam Outdusis Cunningham, Geo Neptune, Jennifer Neptune and Sarah Sockbeson, who will discuss the importance of the basketmaking tradition for their tribal communities. Each of the artists will discuss their approach to basketmaking and its meaning to them and their communities. They will also discuss the future of Indian basketmaking in Maine, given the recent arrival of the invasive Emerald Ash Borer, which kills all species of ash trees, including the brown ash, the source materials for Wabanaki Basketry. The panel will be moderated by Dr. Darren Ranco, Chair of Native American Programs at the University of Maine.



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