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NATIVE AMERICAN
HERITAGE MONTH
Join a campus wide
discussion on MSU's
new NATIVE LAND
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STATEMENT & the
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SOFT LAUNCH EVENT FOR MSU's NATIVE LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

**Welcome to Montclair State University!
University Hall 1070 + Zoom Webinar
Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021 @ 7 PM**

Panelists:

- Turtle Clan Chief Vincent Mann (Ramapough Lenape, NJ)
- Dr. Rev. John Norwood (Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape, NJ)
- Dr. Lisa Brooks (Choctaw, OK)

Moderators:

- Brianna Dagostino
- Daine Ocampo Martinez

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MSU's Land Acknowledgement [working draft]:

We respectfully acknowledge that Montclair State University occupies land in Lenapehoking, the traditional and unceded territory of the Lenape.

As a state institution, we recognize and support the sovereignty of New Jersey's three state-recognized tribes: the Ramapough Lenape, Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape, and Powhatan Renape nations.

We also recognize the sovereign nations of the Lenape diaspora elsewhere in North America, as well as other Indigenous individuals and communities now residing in New Jersey.

By offering this land acknowledgement, we commit to addressing historical legacies of Indigenous dispossession and to dismantling practices of erasure that persist today.

We pay our respects to Indigenous elders past, present, and future and to those who have stewarded their communities and land throughout the generations.