

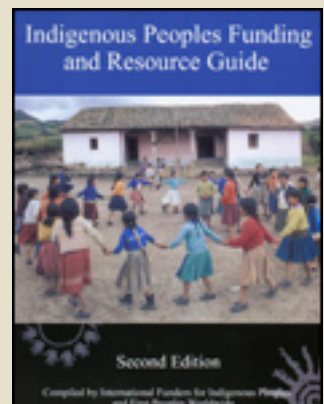
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## GLOBAL PETITION

**Global Petition on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**

A strong and uplifting



At the Worldwide Initiatives Network for Grantmakers Support (WINGS) in Thailand, IFIP organized the forum's first ever session on Indigenous Philanthropy. From left to right, Stephan Hagan, Consultant at The Christensen Fund, Dr. Paiboon Wattanasiritham, Thailand's Minister for Social Development & Human Security, Henrietta Marrie, Program Officer for The Christensen Fund, and Evelyn Arce-White, Director for IFIP.

### Se:kon/Greetings IFIP Friends,

International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP) would like to wish you the happiest of holidays and peace during the next year. IFIP also thanks you for continuing to support our efforts to raise the awareness of Indigenous issues in the philanthropic arena.

With your support, IFIP has accomplished a huge amount this year and is looking forward to next year's successes and challenges. IFIP has helped to coordinate five sessions at major donor conferences throughout the year including it's own annual conference. Keep in mind that IFIP's next annual conference, Linking Circle VI, will take place on May 7-8 at the Levi Strauss Foundation in beautiful San Francisco, we are currently welcoming sponsors and will send a Call for Sessions in early January.

Other accomplishments in 2006 include holding IFIP's second award dinner, which gave recognition to the Kalliopeia Foundation for their oneness, intuition, spiritual wisdom and support for

Indigenous Peoples. We also enlisted several new esteemed and sustaining members and produced an edition of The Sharing Circle newsletter that was distributed at major funder's conferences (for the Spring/Summer 2006 edition, [click here](#)), and expanded the monthly The Sharing Network e-newsletter and our website, at [www.internationalfund.org](http://www.internationalfund.org). IFIP encourages our members to submit articles for the Fall/Winter newsletter due January 15, 2007 as well as activities for our monthly e-newsletter. IFIP also had two articles that have been published, one is in Alliance Magazine, the leading magazine on philanthropy and social investment around the world [click here](#) to view, see magazine for full article. The second is called "Strengthening Partnerships For Indigenous Environments" and has been published in the Fall edition of the Environmental Grantmakers Association's magazine

In addition, on September 12th IFIP formally received approval from the Internal Revenue Service on its federal 501c3 designation. And, even more, IFIP relocated to a larger office space on the Akwesasne Mohawk Indian Reservation, a Native community that straddles the U.S.-Canadian international border in Northern New York State. This accomplishment wouldn't have been possible without the help of IFIP's board members--Theresa Fay Bustillos, Executive Director Of Levi Strauss Foundation; Ken Wilson, Executive Director of The Christensen Fund; and Rebecca Adamson, President Emeritus and Founder of First Nations Development Institute.

I want to remind you that now is the perfect time to become an [IFIP Member](#) and take advantage of this unique opportunity to join our exciting network of International Funders for Indigenous Peoples. Please remember that we are only as strong as our active members and take the time to view the different sections this e-newsletter has including In the News, Nominations, Employment, Awards, Reports, and Upcoming Events.

Ske:nen/Peace,  
Evelyn Arce-White, M.A.T.  
IFIP Executive Director



United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples is urgently needed to establish minimum international standards to inspire and urge states and others to respect and uphold the rights of Indigenous peoples without discrimination. [Click here](#) for details.



## IN THE NEWS

### U.N. Delays Vote on Native Self-Determination

Leaders of the world's 370 million indigenous peoples and their supporters expressed sadness and anger Tuesday as a subsidiary body of the U.N. General Assembly rejected a draft declaration calling for the international recognition of native peoples' right to self-determination and control over their traditional lands. [more](#)

### Indigenous Peoples' Resistance to Economic Globalization: A Celebration of Victories, Rights and Cultures

Hundreds of people from around the world recently gathered in New York for the teach-in put on by the International Forum on Globalization and the Tebtebba Foundation See several video clips [here](#).

## REPORTS & ARTICLES

### International Giving Increases

Estimated giving by U.S. foundations for international purposes reached a record \$3.8 billion in 2005, according to [International Grantmaking Update](#) [pdf], released by the Foundation Center in cooperation with the Council on Foundations. This increase represented a nearly 12 percent inflation-adjusted gain over 2002-far surpassing the 2 percent rise in overall giving in the same period. [more](#)



### Human Rights Situation in Uganda Supplementary Report to the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights for the 40th Ordinary Session

**Banjul, The Gambia  
November 2006**

FPP, in collaboration with the United Organization for Batwa Development in Uganda (UOBDU) and the International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs (IWGIA), have submitted a supplementary report to the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights to provide information to the Commission on the human rights situation of the Batwa in Uganda. This report is being considered by the Commission during its 40th ordinary session taking place in Banjul, The Gambia from 15-29 November 2006, at which Uganda's first periodic state report under the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights will be examined. FPP and UOBDU will also be participating in the session and delivering an oral statement to the Commission on the situation of the Batwa. [more](#)



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## NOMINATIONS

### Native Americans in Philanthropy Seeks

### Rebels and Government Sign Peace Accords in Nepal

After more than 10 years of fighting and 13,000 deaths, Maoist rebels and government forces in Nepal have signed a peace agreement, with the rebels surrendering their weapons in exchange for participation in parliament. [more](#)

**Fiji's Prime  
Minister Laisenia  
Qarase is now  
under house arrest**  
at his Suva residence, as the military tightens its grip on the county's government. [more](#)

**Invisible No More:  
Indigenous  
Peoples Were  
Disposables to  
Nuclear Industry.**  
[more](#)

**Social Forum-  
Chile: Another  
Araucania Is  
Possible**  
[more](#)



## EMPLOYMENT

**Executive Director**  
The Hawaii Island Land Trust (HILT) is a community-based, non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide an inclusive approach to

## **Nominations for Awards**

**Deadline January 15, 2007**

Flying Eagle Woman Community Based Philanthropy Award - The nominee for the Flying Eagle Woman Award for Community-Based Philanthropy shall be an Indigenous person who clearly demonstrates that they are guided by Indigenous thinking and philosophy, including a holistic, community centered approach to living and giving.

Louis T. Delgado Distinguished Grantmaker Award - The nominee for the Louis T. Delgado Distinguished Grantmaker Award must fulfill the criteria of understanding and advancing the role of philanthropy between Native Indigenous communities and mainstream philanthropy.

Nominations are now being accepted until January 15, 2007. For nomination criteria and further information about the awards download:

[Flying Eagle Woman Community Based Philanthropy Award](#)

[Louis T. Delgado Distinguished Grantmaker Award](#)



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## **UPCOMING CONFERENCES**

### **FOR FUNDERS ONLY**

#### **IHRFG Semi-Annual Meeting: Migration, Immigration and Refuge Rights**

**Jan 29-30, 2007  
Crowne Plaza Union Square  
Savoy Room  
480 Sutter Street  
San Francisco, CA 94108**

The debate over immigration and the rights of migrant workers and refugees, both in the US and around the world, reveals just how distant the ideals of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

land conservation on the island of Hawaii. HILT's purpose is to protect land through a variety of tools such as voluntary conservation easements, land donations, or fee-simple purchases. See PDF [here](#).

remain for huge segments of the world's population. As children, women, and men flee conflict, persecution, poverty or environmental devastation, they face a range of human rights violations. Asylum-seekers, refugees and migrants find themselves strangers in strange lands, often unable to form strong communities to claim their rights. They are excluded from citizenship, denied protections as workers, face sexual and economic slavery, and lack access to health care, education, safe housing or even safe drinking water. The conference will examine current trends in migration, immigration and refugee rights, explore recent developments in international human rights law, and assess how these trends can inform our grantmaking.

[Click here](#) for more info.



### **Joint Affinity Groups (JAG) Unity Summit**

**February 5-7, 2007**

**California Endowment Center for Healthy Communities  
Los Angeles, CA**

Registration is available online at the JAG website [jointaffinitygroups.org](http://jointaffinitygroups.org). Participation is limited to 300 and we expect to fill up quickly. Early-bird registration fee and discounted hotel rates available for early registrants!



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**OPEN TO ALL**

### **West Coastal Native Philanthropy Regional Gathering**

**February 05, 2007**

**9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Center for Healthy Communities California Endowment  
1000 North Alameda Street  
Los Angeles, CA**

Native Americans in Philanthropy will host a regional gathering of Native and Tribal Non-profits, foundations and allies. This networking and strategic development gathering will further identify the role for Native Americans in Philanthropy in the West Coast Region as well as communicate our programs and expansion of programs. Our vision is to improve understanding about the unique aspects of Native people and how philanthropy can work with and build on the assets of indigenous communities.

We look forward to hearing your stories of giving within your communities. We will share with you the story of Native Americans in Philanthropy, our mission and goals and how our organizations can support each other in philanthropic and Native community building. There is a \$25 Registration fee and space is limited. Download the [Registration Form](#) and register today!



## **Native Philanthropy Institute & Emerging Leaders Summit**

**April 3-5, 2007  
Fort McDowell Resort  
Scottsdale, AZ**

Native Americans in Philanthropy announces the 2nd Annual Native Philanthropy Institute and Emerging Leaders Summit on April 3-5, 2007. The event will gather Native people from across the nation in sharing and receiving knowledge on giving, communications, fundraising, emerging leadership with special opportunities to experience the Indigenous cultures and tradition of giving throughout Arizona and the Phoenix/Scottsdale area. Members will receive a discounted rate.

A more detailed program agenda will be available when Registration opens on January 1, 2007. Watch your email for more information which will come out soon!  
[click here](#) for more info.



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