

Indigenous Peoples

Promoting Peace, Sustainable Development and Biodiversity Conservation

The International Center for Tolerance Education

Thursday, February 7, 2008

6 - 8 pm

An estimated 5,000 distinct indigenous nations survive in the world today; over 360 million indigenous people pursue their millennia old ways of life. Where they have managed to survive is where we can find intact ecosystems, clean water and the vast majority of the earth's plant, animal and insect species.

We are at a critical moment in history. Humanity is in the process of losing the vast majority of its cultural, linguistic, religious and artistic diversity. Immense bodies of biological, ecological, pharmacological and spiritual knowledge are disappearing at an alarming rate. We can continue in this direction, and face enormous consequences, or we can begin creating a world where indigenous cultures can flourish and contribute to global peace, health and security.

Guest Speakers:

Leitanthem Umakanta Meitei

Indigenous Leader from Manipur, India

Octo Mote

Human Rights Campaigner from West Papua

Brian Keane

Director of the international indigenous peoples' rights organization Land is Life

Come Join Us For A Screening of the Award Winning Film YAKOANA and a Lively Discussion on Indigenous Peoples and Their Efforts to Promote a More Peaceful, Equitable and Sustainable World.



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