

The Indigenous Values Initiative presents:

# Roots of Peacemaking: Festival Honoring the Haudenosaunee An International Day of Peace at the birthplace of democracy

*This is an aerial view of Onondaga Lake embraced by the Everlasting Tree Wampum Belt. The Belt stands for the permanence of the Iroquois Confederacy. It is to protect the Grand Council by keeping the eyes of the 50 civil leaders free from dust of harmful thoughts. The belt is displayed whenever the Grand Council sits. It represents an everlasting Tree of Peace, growing high in to the Spirit World for all nations to see. Under this Tree the Peacemaker placed a general fire to burn forever, Onondaga, the Council Place of the Five Nations. At this council the Peacemaker said, "When you are in a state of great confusion, I will return and again plant the Tree of Peace, and it will become stronger than before, that in the end, the government and laws of the Confederacy will influence the entire world." Wampum Belts of the Iroquois, by Tehanetorens.*

Saturday October 3, 2009, Noon—5 pm

Onondaga Lake Park, Liverpool (near Salt Museum)

Free admission, parking and shuttle buses between Schine, the Warehouse and Onondaga Lake Park



Zenja M. Hyde '06

Noon: Water Thanksgiving at Onondaga Lake

2 pm: Haudenosaunee singers and dancers led by Sherri Waterman-Hopper

3 pm Featured Speakers:

Susan Shown Harjo, President and Executive Director of Morning Star Institute

Audrey Shenandoah, Deer Clanmother, Onondaga Nation; language teacher, community leader

Sally Roesch Wagner, Executive Director of the Matilda Joslyn Gage Foundation

Jack Rossen, Associate Professor and Chair, Anthropology Department, Ithaca College

And traditional foods, music, dancing, artisans...

For More Information:

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