



Sheraton Downtown Phoenix

Thursday, February 6th - Sign Up for Pre-Conference Events

9 am - 12 pm: Indigenous Youth Leadership Cohort Gathering (**2nd floor**)

12 pm - 3 pm: Healing Circle Training (**Maryvale - 2nd floor**)

1 pm - 4 pm: Conference Registration Opens (**Ballroom Foyer - 2nd floor**)

12 pm - 2 pm: Arizona State University Downtown Campus Tours available (*tentative*)
Sign Up Required

- ASU Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law
- ASU Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication

1 pm - 4 pm: UNITY Welcome Networking Event (light refreshments provided)
Sign Up Required
3:30 pm - Arizona Science Center CEO Welcome Message (tentative)

7 pm - 9 pm: Meet Up with Other Native Youth from your Regions! (**Ballroom 2nd floor**)
Empowerment Night for NUC Reps with the NUC Executive Committee

Friday, February 7th - Digital Storytelling Training Day 1

7 am - 5 pm Conference Registration (**Ballroom Foyer - 2nd floor**)

8 am - 5 pm Exhibitors & Vendors (**Ballroom Foyer - 2nd floor**)

8:30 am Emcee One Morning Music (**Ballroom 2nd floor**)

9:00 am Opening General Assembly (**Ballroom 2nd floor**)
- NUC EC Co-President Welcome - Watson Whitford & Katy Johnston

- Local Elder - Land Acknowledgement
- Cultural Blessing - *San Carlos Apache Youth Council with Miss Indian Arizona (tentative)*
- Roll Call - NUC EC Secretary Jalen Harvey

9:30 am Native Youth Digital Storytellers Panel

Moderator: Mahiya Ramirez, NUC EC Vice President & Southern Plains Representative

- Mariah Hernandez-Fitch, 25 Under 25 Awardee
- Evelyn Enos, 25 Under 25 Awardee
- Ian Teller, 25 Under 25 Awardee
- Faith Iiukes, 25 Under 25 Awardee

10:00 am Keynote Speaker: Kusem Goodwin, Coeur d'Alene, Actor, Rez Ball (Netflix)

Moderator: Jalen Harvey, NUC EC Secretary & Western Representative

10:45 am Meet your Trainers - Breakout Instructions

- Rachel Mosley
- LoVina Louie
- J'Shon Lee
- Tommy Ghostdog
- Advisor Training - Dr. Pearl Yellowman
- Videographers - Support Team

11:00 am Break - Head to your Breakout Rooms (15 mins)

11:15 am Digital Storytelling Curriculum Session 1: (1 hr)

- Rachel Mosley (room TBD)
- LoVina Louie (room TBD)
- J'Shon Lee (room TBD)
- Tommy Ghostdog (room TBD)
- Advisor Training - Dr. Pearl Yellowman (room TBD)

12:15 pm Lunch (On your own) (1 hr 45 min)

- 12:15 pm Meet & Greet Photos with *Nextflix Rezball Actor* at the UNITY Store (45 mins)

2:00 pm Curriculum Session 2 (Return to Assigned Rooms) (1.5 hours)

- Advisor Training - Dr. Pearl Yellowman (room TBD)

3:30 pm Break (15 min) Visit Exhibitors

3:45 pm Curriculum Session 3 (**Return to Assigned Rooms**) (1.5 hours)

5:15 pm Dinner (On your Own) (1 hr 45 min)

7:00 pm - UNITY Intertribal Round Dance (**Ballroom - 2nd floor**)

8:30 pm - *Water break (15 mins)*
 - *Evaluation Give-away Announcement!*

8:45 pm - *Round Dance Resumes*

10:30 pm - *Closing*

12:00 am - *Curfew hours - Get Some Rest!*

Saturday, February 8th - Digital Storytelling Training **Day 2**

8 am - 3 pm Conference Registration (**Ballroom Foyer - 2nd floor**)

8 am - 5 pm College & Career Fair Exhibitors & Vendors (**Ballroom Foyer - 2nd floor**)

7:00 am NUC EC Business Meeting Part 1 (**Meeting Room TBA - 2nd floor**)

- Continental Breakfast - Registration Required
- Youth Council Reports
- Executive Committee Updates & Initiative
- National Conference Theme & Logo

8 am Emcee One Morning Music (**Ballroom - 2nd floor**)

- Day One Evaluations Announcement of Winners
- HOKA Shoe Giveaway

8:25 am Special Message from Chris (live streaming)

8:30 am Morning General Assembly (**Ballroom - 2nd floor**)

- Native Youth Emcees Welcome
- Cultural Blessing: *Chi'Chino Spirit O'odham Dance Group tentative*

8:45 am Indigenous Stories of Hope Panel Discussion (45 mins)

International Indigenous Youth Leadership Cohort

9:30 am Keynote Address: Che Jim, Dine, Native Content Creator

10:00 am Instructions for Speed Workshops, NUC, and Advisors

10:15 am Break (15 min) **College & Career Fair** - Visit Exhibitors

10:30 am Speed Workshops (**Return to Ballroom - 2nd floor**)

- **10:30 am** Speed Workshop 1 (25 mins)
- **11:00 am** Speed Workshop 2 (25 mins)
- **11:30 am** Speed Workshop 3 (25 mins)
- **12:00 pm** Speed Workshop 4 (25 mins)

12:30 pm Luncheon & UNITY Mock Pageant (**Ballroom 2nd floor**) (1 hr)

- 12:30 pm Lunch is served
- 12:45 pm UNITY Mock Pageant (Win a Free 2026 Midyear Registration)
- 12:45 pm *Rezball Meet & Greet Photos at the UNITY Store tentative*

1:30 pm Break (15 min) Head to your Breakout Rooms

1:45 pm Curriculum Session 4 (**Return to Assigned Rooms**) (1 hr 30 mins)

- Advisor Training - Dr. Pearl Yellowman (room TBD)

3:15 pm Break (15 min) Visit Exhibitors

3:30 pm Curriculum Session 5 (**Return to Assigned Rooms**) (1 hr 45 mins)

5:15 pm Dinner Break (On your Own) (1 hr 45 min)

7:00 pm UNITY O'odham Cu:dk (Social Dancing) (**Ballroom - 2nd floor**)

8:30 pm Chicken Scratch Dance featuring Group Passion, Tohono O'odham Nation

10:30 pm - Closing

12:00 am - Curfew hours - Get Some Rest!

Sunday, February 9th - Digital Storytelling Presentations Day 3

8 am - 12 pm Exhibitors & Vendors (Ballroom Foyer - 2nd floor)

7:00 am NUC EC Business Meeting Part 2 (Meeting Room TBA - 2nd floor)

- Continental Breakfast - Pre-Registration Required
- Youth Council Reports
- Executive Committee Updates & Initiative
- National Conference Theme & Logo

8:30 am Emcee One Morning Music (Phoenix Ballroom CDE - 2nd floor)

9:00 am General Assembly

- Cultural Blessing: Hopi Youth Group (tentative)
- Day Two Evaluations Announcements & Giveaways

9:30 am Highlighting Top Team Projects: Each of the Top 10 Issues

- TikTok videos
- UNITY News
- PSA Graphics

**10:15 am Keynote Speaker - Colton Shone, *Good Morning Arizona* Anchor
and Mary Kim Titla, UNITY Executive Director**

11:00 am - UNITY Earth Ambassador & Healing Circle Presentation

- Save the Dates for regional trainings
- Apply to be an Earth Ambassador

11:15 am - UNITY Trainers Reflections, Next Steps & Ice-breakers

- Rachel Mosley & LoVina Louie
- JShon Lee & Tommy Ghostdog
- Dr. Pearl Yellowman
- Videographers

11:30 am - Message from UNITY Executive Director, Mary Kim Titla

11:45 am - Closing Prayers and Friendship Circle

See you In San Diego!