



## **NWIY Conference 2008** **Special Events**

### **Campfire**

An ice-breaker for those arriving on Monday the day before the conference begins.

### **Opening Ceremony Parade**

All Northwest Indian Youth Conference participants are invited to walk, create a float, or ride your horse through the parade for the Opening Ceremony to open the NWIYC 2008. Showcase your group through traditional dress, or matching t-shirts, **Show your Native Pride!!!**

### **Hip-Hop Dance**

A chance for all participants to meet one another and get to know more about each other. The dance will be on Tuesday night.

### **Banner Competition**

Tribal banners, staffs, flags, and signs created by the group are encouraged to be used in the opening ceremony/parade, during roll call, and powwow grand entry. Banners will be judged on originality, cultural or political statement, style and over all quality.

### **Cultural Gift Exchange**

This is an opportunity for the participants to share their cultural traditions with other participants. The idea is that each youth will bring a cultural item as a gift and exchange it for another gift from another tribe. This exchange will take place at the Rounddance on Thursday night.

### **3-on-3 Co-ed Basketball Tournament**

A team will consist of 3 or 4 players, 2 boys & 2 girls. There must be a girl on the floor at all times. There will be 2 categories 12-14 years of age & 15-18 years of age. The prizes will be awarded as; First Place, Second place, Third place. Sign-ups will be at registration, closing on Tuesday at 4pm.

### **5k Run/Walk**

This run/walk will be 5 miles in the Kah-nee-ta resort area. All participants will receive a t-shirt.

### **Endurance Horse Race**

The endurance race will be held in Warm Spring to showcase horsemanship qualities. Bring your own horse and demonstrate your skills on the preselected path that has been created and used for many years to showcase this event.

### **Golf Scramble**

The golf scramble will take place with 4 players per team. The scramble will take place on the Kah-nee-ta resort golf course playing 9 holes.

### **Rounddance**

The rounddance is a social gathering for all the participants to get to mingle with one another. This event will take place on Thursday night.

### **Picture Gallery Walk**

Each group is encouraged to bring a picture of your honored elder or ancestor from your tribe to include with our Picture Gallery Walk. This is being organized in honor of the conference theme: "The Ancestors Will Be Our Strength For the Future." Include with your picture a mini biography with the

person's name, tribe, and who they are in the community. We have a limited supply of tri-fold display stands for pictures so bring them if you have them.

### **Art Show**

The art show will be hosted by the Museum of Warm Springs with judging in two categories of Traditional Art and Contemporary Art. Each art piece will need an artist statement. You must have your artwork ready for display on Tuesday May 27<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fashion Show**

A fashion show will be held with judging in two categories of contemporary and traditional fashion. Contestants are encouraged to make their own items for the show and will be judged on originality, model style, and knowledge of fashion design related to items being modeled. Have information ready for MC.

### **Talent Show**

A talent show will take place to honor both contemporary and traditional talents. Showcase the talent from your community.

### **Essay Contest**

Minimum of 500 word essays that is written to the conference theme: The Ancestors Will Be Our Strength For the Future. What teachings did our ancestors leave for us and how are we going to maintain those values in this day and age that we are living in? Answer this question in your essay, typed, double spaced, 1" margins with minimum of 12 font. Contest winner will read essay during a general assembly

### **Northwest Indian Youth Conference Pow-wow**

The powwow will start on Friday with registration at 5pm. The first grand entry at 7pm on Friday night and then on Saturday at 1pm and 7pm. Specials by out-going NWIYC queen and Head Dancer Tommy Lee Whiteplume. **Seeking Royalty Contestants for Powwow** Contestants chosen on speech, dance, and raffle ticket sales.

### **Mr. & Ms. Northwest Indian Youth Conference**

Showcase your leadership by running for the NWIY Conference Royalty. Contestants will run by giving a speech, presentation, participate in fashion or talent show and demonstration leadership skills throughout conference.

### **Film Festival**

Display your documentary and short story films in this youth film festival. Would like to showcase the best film during a General Assembly

**NOTE: All tribal groups are encouraged to participate in as many activities as possible. There will be recognition of the tribal group that participated in the most events at the end of conference during the awards ceremony.**