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Native Nations and the Making of America

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Lecture250 Series

Susquehanna National Heritage Area

America250PA Lectures

America250PA hopes to engage all citizens of the Commonwealth, from all 67 counties; bring the Commonwealth's history into the conversation so Pennsylvanians can better understand the origins and multiple perspectives of issues facing our Commonwealth & nation today; use history to encourage and inspire future leaders, celebrate the contributions of Pennsylvanians to our Commonwealth's history but also to our Nation's history; leave a lasting impact on the next generation; and to spark an interest in which will ignite the drive for them to appreciate all the triumphs, trials and tribulations to which contributed to the Commonwealth for which they are now writing their own history.

The Lecture250 series is rooted in the belief that history is not something that lives behind glass. It lives in our communities, in the questions we ask, and in the conversations we share. Cassandra Coleman, Executive Director of America250PA.

The Susquehanna National Heritage Area is grateful to have received a grant through America250PA's Lecture250 program to make it possible to offer a free public discussion about creating American identity, Native landscapes, and understanding of our shared history.

Susquehanna National Heritage Area

The Susquehanna National Heritage Area connects the people and communities of Lancaster and York Counties to one another and to the nation through stories about this nationally important place. The National Heritage Area welcomes visitors, cultivates partnerships, and nurtures a strong regional identity.

Native Nations and the Making of America

Pennsylvania's history started long before European settlement and the eventual birth of America 250 years ago. Several Native American tribes of different languages and cultures, lived on and with this land. They all of played a significant role in the history and development of this region and have left a lasting impact. This panel discussion with representatives of Federally Recognized Tribes with ancestral ties to the region will share insights that help us better understand the Native roots of America's identity. We hope attendees walk away with a greater sense of how these histories continue to impact our lives into the present.

6:30- 6:45 **Introductions**

6:45- 7:00 **Remarks from panelists**

7:00- 7:45 **Panel discussion**

7:45-8:00 **Q&A with audience**

Panelists

Brett Barnes, raised in Quapaw Oklahoma, now resides in Miami, Oklahoma. Brett has served as the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer for the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma as well as the Eastern Shawnee Tribe NAGPRA Board. He has a seated position as a singer and drummer at the White Oak Ceremonial Ground.

Dr. Katelyn Lucas serves as the Historic Preservation Officer for Delaware Nation, one of the federally recognized Nations of Lenape people now located in Oklahoma as a result of forced removals. Dr. Lucas manages Delaware Nation's extension office in Lenape homelands, on Lehigh University's campus in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. She earned her PhD from Temple University, specializing in early American and Native American literatures with an emphasis on Lenape history and sovereignty. Her dissertation traces the evolution and implications of Lenape representation in American literature from colonial captivity narratives to contemporary American fiction.

Levi Randoll is a tribal citizen of the Delaware Tribe of Indians. He is from both the Falleaf and Elkhair families and is member of the Turtle Clan . He serves as the Chairman for the Delaware Tribe of Indians Cultural Preservation Committee and has made appearances teaching about Delaware history and traditional culture, including demonstrations of Delaware/ Lenape song and dance.

Moderator

Mary Ann Levine earned her BA from McGill University in Montréal and her PhD from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst for her work on Indigenous archaeology in the Eastern Woodlands. She is the Lewis Audenreid Professor of History and Archaeology at Franklin and Marshall college in Lancaster, PA. Her recent work focuses on colonial/indigenous entanglements in the 18th century.