

## **Mohegan Colony Storytelling Festival Event**

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#### **Mohegan Colony's 11th Annual Storytelling & Music Festival**

**Rain or Shine! All venues covered**

**Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 12:30 – 10:30PM; 10 am-Noon - Storytelling Workshop**

**Featured Storytellers and Musicians:**

**The Storycrafters, Bob Reiser, Jasmin Cardenas, Robin Bady, Judith Heineman, Amy Belfer, Ellen and John Monten and Tai Aguirre musical group "Honey" and Ukulele Duo "The Edukated Fleas," The Garden Road Summer Theatre students,**

Everybody loves a good story! And kids and adults of every age will be enchanted and entertained by traditional and original stories related by a host of nationally acclaimed storytellers at the 11th Annual Mohegan Colony Storytelling and Music Festival Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 2011, 12:30 – 10:30 pm! Beginning with a full afternoon of professional storytelling, the event extends into the evening with the traditional Ghost Story Concert around flickering candle lights. The festival is located at 99 Baron de Hirsch Road, in Crompond, New York – under the shade of a spacious pavilion with outdoor picnic areas available on the pastoral grounds. For Information contact Ellen Monten: 914-528-5830; [jmonten@optonline.net](mailto:jmonten@optonline.net) or Judith Heineman: 312-925-0439; [juhestories@aol.com](mailto:juhestories@aol.com) Website: [www.storycircleatproctors.org/hv/mohegan](http://www.storycircleatproctors.org/hv/mohegan) Ticket price is \$20 for all day and night ; \$15 for just day - \$10 for Ghost Stories. \$20 for morning workshop . Reservations for all segments of the festival are recommended.

This year's event features: The Oracle Award winning Storycrafters; nationally touring teller, author, workshop leader, Bob Reiser; Jasmin Cardenas, a vivacious bi-lingual actress/ teller from Chicago whose roots are in Colombia, SA; Robin Bady, actor, activist, teller; Judith Heineman, Illinois Humanities Council "Road" Scholar; The Garden Road Summer Theatre students; and local teen teller, Amy Belfer. Music performances

feature Mohegan Colony's John and Ellen Monten's jazz band "Honey" along with their lead guitarist and vocalist Tai Aguirre and the exciting ukulele duo, The Edukated Fleas.

Additionally, Bob Reiser will offer a workshop 10am – noon – "Mining Family Gold for Stories." Through sharing, listening and game-playing, participants in this workshop can reclaim the stories that enriched their lives, and learn how to become their family's own story-keeper. Pre-registration required: \$20 pp.

According to Judith Heineman, Founder and Co-Organizer of the Festival along with Ellen Monten, "There is no better place to celebrate the oral tradition of storytelling than at the historical venue of Mohegan Colony's Martha Guinsberg Pavilion where once upon a time Pete Seeger, Paul Robeson, Isadora Duncan and other icons entertained a cultural centered community. The festival brings together people of all backgrounds and all ages to celebrate and appreciate, through storytelling, our similarities as well as our differences."

All events are located under the huge outdoor pavilion and in the stone schoolhouse adjacent, at Mohegan Colony's country setting on Baron de Hirsch Road, in Crompond, New York. The address is 99 Baron de Hirsch Road, in Crompond, New York, 10517, three miles east of Peekskill. Follow signs from the intersection of Lexington Avenue and Townsend Road. The Metro-North stop is Peekskill. The venue is 10 minutes from the train station and taxis are available. For directions, log onto [www.hvstoryall.org/mohegan;p](http://www.hvstoryall.org/mohegan;p) or [www.storycircleatproctors/hv/mohegan](http://www.storycircleatproctors/hv/mohegan)

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