

# SUNDANCE EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING

## STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITIES:

TRAINING FOR PARENTS, TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS

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CULTURE &  
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PERFORMING  
ARTS

*Event Location:*

**Menaul School** 301 Menaul Blvd, NE, Albuquerque, NM  
November 13, 2015: 1:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
November 14, 2015: 8:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

*Special Appearance by TATANKA MEANS - Award Winning Actor and Comedian*

Dare to Dream



*Suggested Albuquerque Accommodations:*

### CLUBHOUSE INN ALBUQUERQUE

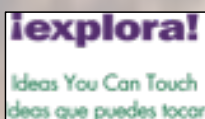
1315 Menaul Blvd., NE (884) 493-1007  
\$75 per night  
*pool spa • wifi-full • breakfast • shuttle*  
5 min. **walk** to Menaul School

### EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL

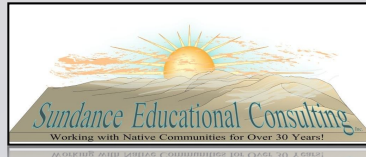
1000 Woodward Place, NE (884) 493-1007  
\$89 per night  
*pool spa • wifi-full • breakfast*  
5 min. **drive** to Menaul School



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SUNDANCE EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING IN COLLABORATION WITH THE STATE OF NM INDIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

*This conference is dedicated to the memory of Rina Swentzell (Santa Clara Pueblo), author, architect, artist and beloved friend.*

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NOVEMBER 13, 2015

12:30 - 1:15 PM	<b>AUDITORIUM:</b> Registration of Participants • Drinks and Snacks • Informational Booths				
1:15 - 2:00	<p align="center"><b>Opening Blessing and Announcements</b></p> <p align="center">Lindsey Gilbert, Head of Menaul School • Sponsors: Los Alamos Lab, Sandia National Labs &amp; the Explora Museum</p> <p align="center"><b>Special Message:</b> Kelly K. Zunie, Cabinet Secretary</p> <p align="center"><b>Native Dance Group:</b> Walatowa Youth Empowerment Group</p> <p align="center">• <b>Presenter Introductions</b> •</p>				
<b>SESSIION I</b> 2:15 - 3:30	<p align="center"><b>MINDING NATIVE CULTURES ACROSS BORDERS</b></p> <p align="center"><i>Respecting Differences and Focusing on Similarities</i></p> <p align="center"><b>Tsailii Rogers</b> <i>Silent T Productions, LLC</i></p> <p align="center">- Rendon Hall: 5 -</p>	<p align="center"><b>NUMBERS IN NATURE</b></p> <p align="center">Examine flowers, pinecones and snails as you experience the joy and playfulness of mathematics</p> <p align="center"><b>Duane Dill</b> <i>Explora Museum</i></p> <p align="center">- Media Center Commons -</p>	<p align="center"><b>INTEGRATING MATH, READING AND SCIENCE ACTIVITIES</b></p> <p align="center">Using Differentiated Instruction, Learning Styles and Common Core Standards to Engage Students, Parents and Teachers (K-12)</p> <p align="center"><b>Jan LaPrelle</b> <i>Sundance Trainer</i></p> <p align="center">- Old Brick -</p>	<p align="center"><b>HATHA YOGA</b></p> <p align="center">Learn to Relieve Stress and Bring Balance to Your Life</p> <p align="center"><b>Catharine Jones</b> <i>Menaul School Staff</i></p> <p align="center">- Auditorium -</p>	<p align="center"><b>ONE OF A KIND MAKING MONOTYPES</b></p> <p align="center">Hands-on Creative Experiences for All Ages</p> <p align="center"><b>Cindy Crockett</b> <i>Menaul School Staff</i></p> <p align="center">- Rendon Hall: 12 - Art Room -</p>
<b>SESSION II</b> 3:45 - 5:00	<p align="center"><b>ENGAGING YOUTH TO PRESERVE TRADITIONAL ROOTS</b></p> <p align="center">Strategies for Students and Parents K-12</p> <p align="center"><b>Tsailii Rogers</b> <i>Silent T Productions, LLC</i></p> <p align="center">- Rendon Hall: 5 -</p>	<p align="center"><b>NUMBERS IN NATURE</b></p> <p align="center">Examine flowers, pinecones and snails as you experience the joy and playfulness of mathematics</p> <p align="center"><b>Duane Dill</b> <i>Explora Museum</i></p> <p align="center">- Media Center Commons -</p>	<p align="center"><b>INTEGRATING MATH, READING AND SCIENCE ACTIVITIES</b></p> <p align="center">Using Differentiated Instruction, Learning Styles and Common Core Standards to Engage Students, Parents and Teachers (K-12)</p> <p align="center"><b>Jan LaPrelle</b> <i>Sundance Trainer</i></p> <p align="center">- Old Brick -</p>	<p align="center"><b>PERFORMING ARTS</b></p> <p align="center">Improv Theater Games</p> <p align="center"><b>Catharine Jones</b> <i>Menaul School Staff</i></p> <p align="center">- Auditorium -</p>	<p align="center"><b>ONE OF A KIND MAKING MONOTYPES</b></p> <p align="center">Hands-on, Creative Experiences for All Ages</p> <p align="center"><b>Cindy Crockett</b> <i>Menaul School Staff</i></p> <p align="center">Rendon-12 Art Room</p>
5:15 - 6:00	<b>AUDITORIUM:</b> Meet our Special Guest <b>TATANKA MEANS</b> , Native American Actor and Comedian				
6:00 - 6:45	<b>DINING HALL:</b> Enjoy a Complimentary Dinner, Presenter Introductions, and visit the <b>TATANKA MEANS</b> Booth				
<b>AFTER HOURS</b> 7:00 - 8:00 PM	<p align="center"><b>TALKING CIRCLE: STAYING POSITIVE IN LIFE</b></p> <p align="center">Conceive, Believe, Achieve Generating-Receiving Positive Energy - Achieving Your Dreams</p> <p align="center"><b>Kelly K. Zunie</b> <i>Cabinet Secretary NM Indian Affairs Department</i></p> <p align="center">- Rendon Hall: 5 -</p>	<p align="center"><b>ENTREPRENEURSHIP</b></p> <p align="center">LANL Sponsored Workshop on Native-Owned Business - Strategies for Developing and Owning a Business</p> <p align="center"><b>Phoebe Suina</b> <i>High Watermark, Inc</i></p> <p align="center">- Media Center Commons -</p>	<p align="center"><b>TAI CHI CHUAN</b></p> <p align="center">Discipline for Body-Mind and Spirit for All Ages</p> <p align="center"><b>Roger Bason</b> <i>Certified Instructor</i></p> <p align="center">- Old Brick -</p>	<p align="center"><b>smARTS</b></p> <p align="center">Using Performing Arts to Increase Success in Math and Reading K-12th</p> <p align="center"><b>Cathryn Mc Gill</b> <i>Musician/Performing Artist</i></p> <p align="center">- Auditorium -</p>	<p align="center"><b>NATIVE ARTS STUDIO K-12th</b></p> <p align="center">Hands-On workshops in a variety of Native Arts <i>Such as jewelry, pottery</i></p> <p align="center"><b>Dina Velarde, Potter</b> <b>Terecita Crespin, Jeweler</b> <i>Museum of Indian Arts/Culture</i></p> <p align="center">- Rendon Hall: 8 Pottery Room -</p>

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8:00 - 8:30 AM	AUDITORIUM: OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS					<i>Coffee and Snacks • Raffles</i>
<b>SESSIION I</b> 8:45 - 10:00	<b>CULTURAL AWARENESS</b>  Native Experiential Education - <i>Using Hands-on Methods to Teach Cultural Awareness for All Ages</i>  <b>Joe Ansera Jr.</b> <i>San Felipe Pueblo</i>  <b>- Rendon Hall: 5 -</b>	<b>GEODESICS/STEAM</b>  Using Mathematical Skills to Design and Build a Geodesic Dome Structure  <b>Roger Bason</b> <i>Eccosolution, Inc</i>  <b>- Media Center Commons -</b>	<b>BE BEAR AWARE</b>  STEM and Project Wild Activities To Understand our State Animal  <b>Laurie Gilbert</b> <i>Menaul School Staff</i>  <b>- Old Brick -</b>	<b>SUCCESSFUL PROJECT MANAGEMENT</b>  Staying organized with your work and your life: <i>Goal Setting and Making Progress!</i>  <b>Marie Capitan</b> <i>Sandia National Laboratories</i>  <b>- Auditorium -</b>	<b>INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY INTO THE CLASSROOM &amp; THE HOME</b>  Using iPads: <i>The ins &amp; outs, advantages and challenges</i>  <b>Ms. Julie Shuler-Misra and Ms. Sue Young</b> <i>Menaul School Staff</i>  <b>- Media Center Lab -</b> <i>Class is limited to 25 participants</i>	
	<b>SESSION II</b> 10:15 - 11:30	<b>DIGITAL STORYTELLERS</b>  <i>Using Blogs and Internet Technology to Connect with your Language and Culture</i>  <b>Winoka Begay</b> <i>UNM Language and Literacy Dept.</i>  <b>- Rendon Hall: 5 -</b>	<b>GEODESICS/STEAM</b>  Using Mathematical Skills to Design and Build a Geodesic Dome Structure  <b>Roger Bason</b> <i>Eccosolution, Inc</i>  <b>- Media Center Commons -</b>	<b>BE BEAR AWARE</b>  STEM and Project Wild Activities To Understand our State Animal  <b>Laurie Gilbert</b> <i>Menaul School Staff</i>  <b>- Old Brick -</b>	<b>EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION</b>  Unique Approaches in Preparing Your Child to Be Excited About Science  <b>Susan Black</b> Montessori Educator  <b>- Donaldson Hall: 4 -</b>	<b>INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY INTO THE CLASSROOM &amp; THE HOME</b>  Using iPads: <i>The ins &amp; outs, advantages and challenges</i>  <b>Ms. Julie Shuler-Misra and Ms. Sue Young</b> <i>Menaul School Staff</i>  <b>- Media Center Lab -</b> <i>Class is limited to 25 participants</i>
11:30 - 1:00	<b>DINING HALL: Complimentary Luncheon</b>		<b>GYMNASIUM: Guided Recreation Time - Fencing, Badminton, Basketball</b>			
	<b>Animal Protection Presentation: Sherry Mangold • Presenter Introductions</b>					
<b>SESSION III</b> 1:15 - 2:30	<b>YOUTH CONNECTIONS</b>  Don't Follow Your Dreams, Let Them Follow You - Navigating and Succeeding in Today's World  <b>Garron Yepa</b> <i>Architect/Educator</i>  <b>- Rendon Hall: 5 -</b>	<b>AERONAUTICS</b>  Learn the Basics of Flight, Career Opportunities and How to Fly an Airplane  <b>Capt. James LaPrelle</b> <i>Professional Pilot</i>  <b>- Media Center Commons -</b>	<b>BASIC ELECTRONICS</b>  Hands-on Explorations with Circuits and How to Prepare for a Field in Electronics  <b>Etta Tsosie &amp; Maxine Norton</b> <i>Sandia National Labs</i>  <b>- Old Brick -</b>	<b>BEHAVIOR AND SUCCESS</b>  Understanding Human Behavior - How to Change Negative Behaviors into Positive  <b>Joe DiRaddo</b> <i>School Psychologist</i>  <b>- Auditorium -</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING</b>  <i>Using Mapping Software to Simulate Reservation Land Flood Events</i>  <b>Phoebe Suina &amp; Joseph Grimley</b> <i>High Watermark, Inc.</i>  <b>- Media Center Lab -</b> <i>Class is limited to 25 participants</i>	
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4:15 - 4:30	<b>DINING HALL: CLOSING</b>					
	<b>Raffle • Evaluations • Certificates • Dessert</b>					

# BOOTHS

<p><b>LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL LABORATORY COMMUNITY PROGRAMS OFFICE</b> Janelle Vigil-Maestas</p>	<p><b>ACOMA &amp; T'SIYA ARTWORK</b> CJ Shije</p>	<p><b>Bonita Cosas Mosaic Ornaments</b> Holland O'Neill and Anne Sundeen</p>
<p><b>BRAIN EDUCATION INSTITUTE</b> Hae -Rang</p>	<p><b>EXPLORA MUSEUM</b> Randy Pedro</p>	<p><b>MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY</b> Chris Sanchez</p>
<p><b>SANTO DOMINGO JEWELRY</b> Clifford Aguilar</p>	<p><b>MENAU SCHOOL</b> Mary Spring Francine Stewart</p>	<p><b>TATANKA MEANS NATIVE CLOTHING</b> Tatanka Means</p>

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## - SPEAKERS AND PRESENTERS -

<p><b>Joseph G. Ansera Jr.</b> is a Pueblo Experiential Educator and Facilitator, providing direct service programming for over 24 years. Working with youth, adult and elder organizations, Mr. Ansera uses "Hands on Learning" and movement techniques to promote healthy life skills building, cultural respect and unique life challenging experiences. (Pueblo of San Felipe)</p>	<p><b>Roger Bason</b>, Ocean Scientist, Teacher and Entrepreneur is the founder and director of Natural Currents, a renewable energy company with a focus on producing power from tidal, wind and solar sources. He has been active in coral reef recovery constructing living reefs to provide natural shoreline protection and biodiversity in projects sponsored by the United Nations Partnership for Small Island Developing States.</p>	<p><b>Christine Becker</b> is the President of Sundance Educational Consulting, Inc. (SEC) and has worked in schools serving Native American children for the past 40 years. Christine has been organizing conferences and trainings for schools for the past 7 years in order to bring much needed resources and expertise to local and reservation schools. SEC also provides on-site training for schools nationally.</p>	<p><b>Winoka Begay</b> (Diné) is a doctoral student in the Language, Literacy, and Sociocultural Studies program at UNM. Current research projects: the development of a summer Indigenous youth program and a home-based Indigenous language-learning curriculum.</p>
<p><b>Susan Black</b> is a 33-year veteran teacher. She earned a BA in History from UNM, and a M.Ed. from Chamade University, Honolulu, Hawaii. She holds an Early Childhood certification from the National Center for Montessori Education, Los Alamos, NM and a Lower Elementary certification from the Center for Montessori Teacher Education in New Rochelle, NY. For the past 20 years she has been a teacher trainer and workshop presenter.</p>	<p><b>Marie Capitan</b> is of half Navajo and half Alaskan descent. Marie lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico with her two children. Marie has worked as a data entry clerk &amp; secretary with the BIA, peace officer with the Albuquerque Police Department, and as a diversity workforce specialist in the Diversity &amp; Inclusion Organization (DIO) at Sandia National Laboratories.</p>	<p><b>Terecita Crespin</b> is an enrolled member of the Santo Domingo Pueblo. She is of many talents which include jewelry making, sewing, painting, pottery (traditional and ceramic), and most recently beadwork on earrings and necklaces. When time permits she volunteers at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture with special events and activities.</p>	<p><b>Cindy Dominguez Crockett</b> is a fine art photographer and art teacher in Albuquerque, New Mexico. You can see some of her work currently at the Albuquerque Museum of Art and History.</p>
<p><b>Duane Dill</b> was a Peace Corps volunteer from 1963 - 1965. He was a science teacher at Laguna Acoma HS for 27 years working with students who have become engineers, teachers, doctors, lawyers, veterinarians and many thriving and productive citizens in their community. He is currently a science educator at Explora Science Center in Albuquerque taking science activities to schools and conferences throughout NM.</p>	<p><b>Joe DiRaddo</b> is a licensed school psychologist and has worked with Native American families and youth. Joe has presented to large and small groups of parents both out on site at schools and at Sundance Conferences. Joe is an expert on strategies to improve student behavior.</p>	<p><b>Laurie Gilbert</b> is the 6th Grade STEM teacher and Middle School STEM department chair at Menaul School where she has been teaching for 10 years. Mrs. Gilbert was the 2012 recipient of the Air Force Association STEM Teacher of the Year Award for both Albuquerque and the state of New Mexico.</p>	<p><b>Joseph Grimley</b> is a Geologist with High Water Mark LLC, currently providing technical assistance for erosion and sediment control, watershed restoration, flood hazard mitigation, and hazard mitigation planning projects for High Water Mark's New Mexican clients. Mr. Grimley is from the Navajo Nation and Cochiti Pueblo. He is an active member of both the Diné and Pueblo cultures.</p>
<p><b>Catherine Jones</b> (Catharine Pilafas) (SAG-AFTRA) received her Bachelor of Arts in Acting and minor in Dance from the University of Northern Colorado. Catharine serves on the board for New Mexico Women In Film, teaches yoga, and coaches actors at Sol Acting Academy. You can see Catharine perform in The Nutcracker, with Duke City Repertory December 3-20.</p>	<p><b>Jan LaPrelle</b> is a parent involvement trainer with Sundance Educational Consulting and works extensively in Navajo Area schools with Common Core standards and parent involvement activities. Jan has special expertise in the area of technology as well as providing resources to parents and teachers for on-line and hands-on activities for children.</p>	<p><b>James LaPrelle</b> is currently a B767 Captain for a major airline and has been in the industry since 1968. Cpt. LaPrelle has taught numerous flight training courses from <i>introduction to flight to advanced airline training programs</i>. As a check-airman he has conducted flight simulator training and is noted as one of the pilots of the Goodyear Blimp "Mayflower".</p>	<p><b>Cathryn McGill</b> is a member of a class of traveling poets musicians, and storytellers who maintain a tradition of oral history in parts of West Africa. In the African tradition of griot, she is a storyteller, sharing stories in word and song, while building, growing, energizing and engaging communities, creating positive change. Cathy has worked extensively with schools in New Mexico and other areas to introduce young people to the joy of performing arts.</p>
<p><b>Maxine Norton</b>, (Diné) was raised in Pinedale, New Mexico. She came to Albuquerque in 1978 to attend school. Upon completion of her education, she was immediately employed by Sandia National Laboratories. Maxine spent the majority of her career in the administrative environment, but about three years ago transferred to the electronics technology arena. She loves to read, sew, and spend time with her three grandchildren.</p>	<p><b>Tsailii Rogers</b>, a member of the Navajo Nation of Arizona, has more than 13 years of experience in the technical writing field with a successful track record in start-up, small business, and nonprofit sectors. Tsailii founded Silent T Productions, LLC ("Savvy Technicality"), a small business dedicated to project research, copywriting, and public relations services.</p>	<p><b>Julie Shuler-Misra</b> is a third year teaching at Menaul School and first year as Middle School Director. She has 11 years of classroom experience in a variety of topics in science with 1:1 tablet environments.</p>	<p><b>Phoebe Suina</b> is Project Manager and Owner of High Water Mark, LLC. Currently managed projects: US Army Corp of Engineers, NM Water Trust Board, Department of Interior BAER, and FEMA emergency and disaster assistance. Ms. Suina is from San Felipe and Cochiti Pueblos. She continues to assist and share her knowledge and skills with the Pueblo and Northern NM communities.</p>
<p><b>Etta Tsosie</b> is a Navajo (Diné) and was born and raised in Rock Point, Arizona. Etta received a Certificate in Electronics Technology from T-VI (CNM) and has worked in the Electronics field for 21 years. Currently, she assembles circuit boards by soldering various electronic components onto Printed Circuit Boards or Printed Wiring Boards.</p>	<p><b>Dina Velarde</b> (Jicarilla Apache) is currently working as an Assistant Museum Educator at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture in Santa Fe, NM. She received her Associate in Studio Arts from the Institute of American Indian Arts. Dina is a photographer and potter of micaceous clay.</p>	<p><b>Garron Yepa</b> (Jemez Pueblo/Diné) is a lifelong student of architecture, music, and art. As a result of being a member of two strong indigenous communities and an upbringing in suburban Albuquerque, his unique dual consciousness gives him a perspective all his own. His curiosity, experience, and travels guide his professional endeavors while his friends and family keep him centered in ever-changing modern society.</p>	<p><b>Ms. Sue Young</b> is the Middle School Humanities Chair and a graduate of UNM with a B.Ed. in Social Studies/U.S. History. Sue has taught at Menaul since 1993, serving as a Social Studies Chair, Yearbook teacher, SOC leader, Student Council advisor and 6th through 12th grade Social Studies teacher.</p>

### Walotowa Youth Empowerment Group

This group of dancers is from the Pueblo of Jemez and have performed for the past four years at events for Sundance Educational Consulting. The coordinator is Kevin Shendo