

**CALL TO CONFERENCE**



**INDIAN EDUCATION:  
MEETING THE CHALLENGE!**

**38TH ANNUAL  
CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE  
ON AMERICAN INDIAN EDUCATION**

**MARCH 15-17, 2015**  
**RENAISSANCE PALM SPRINGS HOTEL - PALM SPRINGS, CA**

# CALL TO CONFERENCE

## Indian Education: Meeting the Challenge!

*We invite you to attend the 38th Annual California Conference on American Indian Education, March 15-17, 2015, at the Renaissance Hotel in Palm Springs, CA. The conference theme is "Indian Education: Meeting the Challenge!" The conference will showcase 38 years of success and growth of American Indian education in California and the impact the American Indian Education Centers have had in American Indian communities.*

This conference is made possible by the collaborative efforts of the American Indian Education Centers located statewide, endorsed by the California Department of Education, and many other supporters of American Indian education throughout California. Our hope is that your attendance at this year's conference will be a positive experience and will result in lasting memories. We look forward to seeing you in Palm Springs. If you have any questions or would like clarification, please contact Irma Amaro at 530-895-4212 ext. 109 or by e-mail at [irma.4winds@att.net](mailto:irma.4winds@att.net), or Rachel McBride at 530-895-4212 ext. 110 or by e-mail at [rachel.4winds@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rachel.4winds@sbcglobal.net).

Respectfully,

Irma Amaro and Rachel McBride  
Conference Co-Chairpersons

**Endorsed by:**  
*The California Department of Education*



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# CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

## Purpose of the Conference

The 38th Annual California

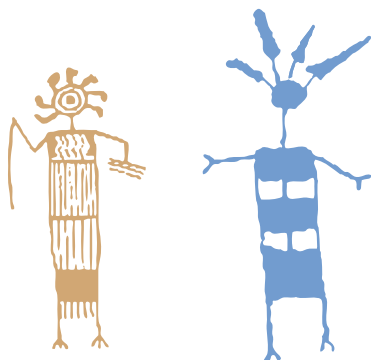
Conference on American Indian Education "Indian Education: Meeting the Challenge!" offers the opportunity to share traditional and academic teaching and learning. This conference honors the commitment of the family and all those who have contributed to the advancement of Indian Education in California.

## Conference Goals

- To advocate academic excellence and educational opportunities for American Indian families, educators, tribal leaders, and board members;
- To provide opportunities for networking among American Indian families, elders, tribal leaders, students, and educators;
- To recognize achievements of distinguished educators parents, and students;
- To honor our elders, who are our most revered teachers.

## Youth Track

We are pleased to announce that this year's conference will again offer a youth track, with some great speakers and interactive activities.



## Tentative Schedule

### Sunday – March 15, 2015

Registration	11:00 am – 5:00 pm
Youth Hand Game Registration*	Noon – 1:00 pm
Vendors and Displays	Noon – 5:00 pm
Youth Hand Game Tournament	1:00 pm until there's a winner

### Monday – March 16, 2015

Registration	7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Children's Activity Room	8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Elders' Hospitality Room	8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Vendors and Displays	8:00 am – 8:00 pm
General Session I	8:30 am – 10:00 am

#### Workshops

Session I	10:15 am – 11:15 am
Lunch (on your own)	11:30 am – 12:45 pm
Session II	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Session III	2:15 pm – 3:15 pm
Session IV	3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Language Forum	2:15 pm – 4:30 pm
Elders' Banquet	6:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Rock and Roll Trivia – Youth	9:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Rock and Roll Trivia	9:00 pm – 10:30 pm

### Tuesday – March 17, 2015

Registration	8:00 am – 11:00 am
Children's Activity Room	8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Elders' Hospitality Room	8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Vendors and Displays	8:00 am – 11:00 pm

#### Workshops

Session V	9:00 am – 10:00 am
Session VI	10:15 am – 11:15 am
Educator's Luncheon/ General Session II	11:30 pm – 1:30 pm
Session VII	1:45 pm – 2:45 pm
Session VIII	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Large Group	3:00 pm – 5:15 pm
Cultural Sharing	6:00 pm – 11:00 pm

*\*Pre-Registration for Youth Hand Game Tournament is recommended: Call Calvin Hedrick at 916-752-7755 for applications*

# KEYNOTE SPEAKER



## VENIDA CHENAULT



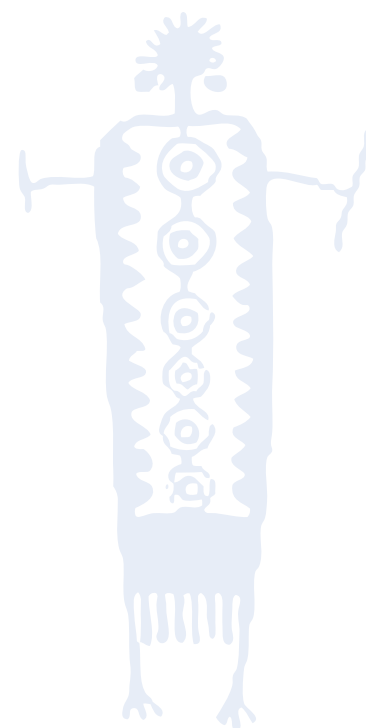
Venida Chenault is a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi and Kickapoo tribes. Dr. Chenault was selected as the seventh president of Haskell Indian Nations University on January 4, 2014, and is the first student of Haskell to become President.

Throughout her tenure in the faculty ranks at Haskell, she worked tirelessly in numerous administrative capacities and served on the Faculty Senate. She co-authored the proposal for the bachelor's in American Indian Studies and is serving as the first interim director of American Indian Studies. Under her leadership Haskell received accreditation of the

Elementary Teacher Education Program in 2013. She received numerous honors and awards including being selected as an American Indian College Fund Mellon Fellow, American Indian Leadership Award in 2005 from the University of Kansas Indigenous Studies Program, and being selected as the Recipient of the Haskell Outstanding Alumni of the Year Award for her contributions to Indian Education in the Spring of 2009.

Dr. Chenault is passionate about the importance of the opportunity a Haskell education provides. She is committed to ensuring students and graduates acquire the caliber of knowledge, skills, and degrees needed to provide high quality services in tribal and non-tribal organizations. She attributes her success to the start provided by Haskell. She follows the footsteps of many generations of her family, including her mother, uncles, sisters and brothers, and other extended family, which began their careers at Haskell. Dr. Chenault's oldest sons and her daughter are also Haskell alumni, who take great pride in Haskell.

Dr. Chenault began her educational career at Haskell Indian Junior College where she attended in the Fall of 1975, and in the Spring of 1984. She transferred to the University of Kansas where she earned her Bachelor's in Social Welfare and Master's in Social Welfare in May 1990. In 2005 she completed her doctorate and was selected as the Vice-President of Academic Affairs. She is the mother of three adult sons and a daughter. She is also an adopted mother and grandmother in her tribe.





## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

# KRISTY ORONA-RAMIREZ



Kristy Orona-Ramirez has a minor in Native American studies. She has worked in the public school classroom for the past 16 years integrating topics concerning Native America into the California State Standards and now more recently, through the newly adopted Common Core Standards. Through the different academic genres of Literature and Language Arts, Mathematics, Disciplined Based Arts Education, History and Social Studies, and Science, she has successfully brought American Indian and Mexican Indian educational opportunities, helping to preserve cultural heritage, traditional belief systems, and values to those she has served.

She is the author of award winning, *Kiki's Journey* (Lee and Low Books, 2006) and

*Reclamation Road*, a chap book that is part of a Native American women's poetry series (Coyotese Books, 2007). She has multiple publications of poetry in other magazines such as *Red Ink* and *Indian Country Today*. An adjunct instructor at Whittier College, she works with teachers in the Masters of Education program and is a current board member for the California Association for Teachers of English (CATE), where she serves as a member -at-large for middle school representation. She is a Teacher Consultant for the California Writing Project and received her fellowship for the writing project through the University of California, Riverside. Kristy is also the recipient of the James Irvine Fellowship, and she has been a mentor teacher for the San Marcos Writing Project. She has taught their yearly Young Writer's Camp held in Poway, California where she has taught students at various grade levels and modeled lessons for other teachers. She currently teaches sixth grade in Riverside, CA. She is a member and lead singer for the all women's northern drum group, *The Mankillers*, and is a jingle dress dancer. She has been a past presenter

for the Medicine Ways Conference at the University of California, Riverside and enjoys volunteering at Sherman Indian High School. Leading a very active lifestyle with very active children, she finds time to be part of Native American organizations that promote health and physical fitness, also volunteering her time for the past several years to coach girls softball in her community.

Kristy's dedication to erasing Indian stereotypes, and other stereotypes that pertain to other cultural groups, has always remained in the forefront of her classroom curriculum. Kristy was instrumental in starting the discussion of changing her schools old school mascot, from a stereotypical Indian "warrior" and continued to express the need for the change. She was successful in her endeavors and now they are the "Wells Phoenix" instead of a "Wells Warrior."

Kristy is a graduate of Humboldt State University and its nationally recognized American Indian education program, ITEPP (Indian Teacher Education Personnel Program). She lives in Riverside, California with her husband and 4 children.

# CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

## Dates

March 15-17, 2015

## Early Bird Registration

(Postmarked by February 20, 2015)

*First 100 registrations received before December 31, 2014, will receive a free conference t-shirt!*

\$300 Per Registrant  
\$200 Elders 55+  
\$200 each 1-14 students\*  
\$175 each 15-24 students\*  
\$150 each 25-49 students\*  
\$125 each 50+ students\*  
(students must be from same institution to qualify for discount)

**\*Must include copy of school ID**

All registration after February 20, 2015, will be considered on-site.

## Online Registration

[http://www.ccaie.org/California\\_Conference\\_on\\_American\\_Indian\\_Education/Home.html](http://www.ccaie.org/California_Conference_on_American_Indian_Education/Home.html)

## On-Site Registration

\$375 Per Registrant  
\$275 Elders 55+ and Students\*  
**\*Must include copy of school ID**

## One Day Rate

\$150 Per Registrant  
(specify Monday or Tuesday)  
Does not include meals

## Meal Tickets

\$55 Elders' Banquet  
\$50 Educator's Luncheon  
\$25 10 yrs and younger  
**(Must have meal ticket to enter.)**

## Payment Method

- No purchase orders will be accepted
- Check (business) or Money Order

## Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be received in writing by March 5, 2015, and are subject to a \$25 fee.

*Registration includes the Elders' Banquet and Educator's Luncheon. Because of meal count guarantees to the hotel, tickets for these meals cannot be guaranteed for on-site registration.*

- ☐ Please check if you are requesting vegetarian meals

## Location

Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel  
888 Tahquitz Canyon Way  
Palm Springs, CA 92262

## Hotel Reservations

1-800-468-3571

*Specify CCAIE when calling or California Conference on American Indian Education*

## Hotel Rates

Singel/Double: \$120.00  
Triple: \$130.00  
Quad: \$140.00

All rates are per night.  
(Plus tax and Tourism Fee per night)

**CUT-OFF DATE: MARCH 1, 2015**

## Conference Registration Form

Please type or print clearly. Use a separate form for each registrant.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Elder ☐ Adult ☐ Student

Sponsoring Organization/Tribe: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**T-Shirt Sizes:** ☐ Small ☐ Medium ☐ Large ☐ X-Large ☐ 2X-Large ☐ 3X-Large ☐ 4X-Large  
**Only for registrations received before December 31, 2014**

## Payment Information (Make checks payable to Four Winds of Indian Education)

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Check No.: \_\_\_\_\_ MO#: \_\_\_\_\_ Eventbrite #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Small fee is the responsibility of the registrant)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**After March 5, 2015, substitutions will be allowed, but no refunds.**

## Mail registration form and payment to:

*Make check or money order payable to  
Four Winds of Indian Education*

**Four Winds of Indian Education  
c/o CCAIE  
2345 Fair Street  
Chico, CA 95928**

# CALL FOR WORKSHOP PRESENTERS

If you are interested in presenting a workshop related to the conference theme, complete this form and return no later than Friday, January 9, 2015. Check if your workshop is for General Conference or for the Youth Track.

☐ General Conference      ☐ Youth Track

Please e-mail Presentation Summary to Judy Delgado at: [judelgado@cde.ca.gov](mailto:judelgado@cde.ca.gov)

## Please indicate date and time preferred:

### Monday

- ☐ 10:15 am – 11:15 am
- ☐ 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
- ☐ 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm
- ☐ 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

### Tuesday

- ☐ 9:00 am – 10:00 am
- ☐ 10:15 am – 11:15 am
- ☐ 1:45 pm – 2:45 pm
- ☐ 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm
- ☐ 3:00 pm – 5:15 pm – Large Group Workshop

All rooms will be set up classroom style. Plan to provide your own A/V equipment, screen, and presentation materials. None will be provided by the conference. **Initial here** \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Lead Presenter: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Presenter's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(Day): \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Presenters: \_\_\_\_\_

Workshop Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Presentation Summary – If you don't have access to e-mail, print or type 50 words or less, as you want printed in the conference program: [This workshop will...](#)

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For more information contact: Judy Delgado at 916-319-0506 or by e-mail at [judelgado@cde.ca.gov](mailto:judelgado@cde.ca.gov), or Chavella Delp 916-319-0609 or by e-mail at [cdelp@cde.ca.gov](mailto:cdelp@cde.ca.gov).

*If you don't have access to e-mail, you may mail complete form to:*

**Judy Delgado, American Indian Education Consultant  
California Department of Education  
1430 N Street, Suite 6408  
Sacramento, CA 95814**

# CALL FOR STUDENT WRITING & PHOTOGRAPHY

The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual California Conference on American Indian Education is approaching quickly and, once again, we wish to showcase the writings of American Indian students from our state in a small booklet (chapbook) available to each participant who attends the conference. We are requesting poetry, short stories, and photography from all K-12 American Indian youth who reside in California. If possible, we would prefer black and white photographs but will accept color.

All submissions should address the conference theme "Indian Education: Meeting the Challenge!" Photographs and writings that demonstrate the power of intergenerational education, whether formal or cultural, are especially welcome.

Please inform your youth about their opportunity to have their work published and encourage them to submit their writings to:

**American Indian Education Program  
1919 B Street, Marysville, CA 95901  
Phone: 530-749-6196 • Fax: 530-741-7840**

Copyright will remain with the authors. Works submitted for publication will not be returned, therefore, please send copies only. Each youth who is published will receive two free chapbooks from the Conference Planning Committee. All works should be submitted for review by Friday, February 13, 2015. Along with each submission, please include the following information:

- **Student Name**
- **Tribal Affiliation**
- **Age of Student**
- **Phone Number**
- **Name and address of sponsoring organization (i.e., Title VII, IEC, or school)**

We are looking forward to publishing the writings and photographs of our American Indian youth. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Bennett at 530-749-6196.

**Thank you,**

**The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual California Conference on American Indian Education Committee**

## CONFERENCE AWARDS

### Honored American Indian Elder

Given to Elders 60 years or older who have made outstanding contributions to American Indian education in the following areas:

- 1) Promoted an understanding and appreciation of American Indian cultures in an educational or community setting;
- 2) Given lifelong service to promoting quality education through active community service; or
- 3) Served as a role model or mentor for American Indian children, youth, or adults

### Distinguished American Indian Educator of the Year

Given to an American Indian teacher, educator, counselor, or administrator with significant work in any of the following areas:

- 1) Developed and established innovative education program(s);
- 2) Improved education or cultural quality in nominee's community;
- 3) Significantly impacted a school or local community;
- 4) Worked for passage of legislation designed to improve student service delivery;
- 5) Promoted educational quality for students;
- 6) Promoted training for teachers and counselors of American Indian students; or
- 7) Developed programs to improve the education of American Indian people

### Parent of the Year

Given to an American Indian parent for outstanding leadership, commitment, concern, and voluntary efforts in the following areas:

- 1) Served on local, regional, statewide committees, or boards working to improve the educational quality of American Indian students;
- 2) Demonstrated strong commitment through volunteer work to improve educational opportunities for American Indian youth; or
- 3) Worked to strengthen American Indian youth programs at the community or tribal level

### Student of the Year

Given to an American Indian student in the 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, enrolled full-time in a public or private accredited school with a GPA of 3.5 or higher. Nominees must demonstrate leadership qualities, maintain high academic achievement, serve as a role model for other students.

The student of the year will receive a scholarship from the Conference Committee, once proof of enrollment (minimum of time) at a higher education or vocational institute is provided.

### Please Note

Awardees will receive a meal at the conference. Expenses such as conference registration, lodging and transportation are the responsibility of the nominating individual or organization. (Additional meal tickets for family members and/or friends, must be purchased separately, and may not be available unless purchased in advance of the event.) All nominees must be residents of California.

*Nominations must be received by Friday, January 9, 2015*



# AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

## Awards Nomination Form

Nominations must be postmarked by January 9, 2015.

### The following documents must accompany the nomination form:

- A 250 word statement, including biographical information, on the nominee justifying the nomination
- A recent photo (color, head shot only), e-mailed in jpeg format to Judy Delgado at judelgado@cde.ca.gov. Photos not received by the deadline will not be included in the program.

### Nominee Information – Check one:

☐ Honored Elder    ☐ Distinguished Educator    ☐ Parent of the Year    ☐ Student of the Year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribe: \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominator Information

Nominating Organization/Tribe/School: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

All forms and supporting materials must be received by January 9, 2015. E-mails accepted:  
Judy Delgado at: judelgado@cde.ca.gov. Late nominations will not be considered. No exceptions!

**Mail nominations to:**      **Judy Delgado, American Indian Education Consultant**  
   **California Department of Education**  
   **1430 N Street, Suite 6408**  
   **Sacramento, CA 95814**

*For more information call: Judy Delgado at 916-319-0506.*

# ADVERTISING AGREEMENT

The California Conference on American Indian Education conference program is a great way to showcase your organization, business, or tribe. You can also use this opportunity as a forum to congratulate the success of American Indian education over the years. The rates are as follows:

Program Ad specifications (check one). The rates listed below are for digital, PDF supplied art only.

- ☐ Business Card (3 1/4" W x 2 1/4" H) - Price: \$50.00
- ☐ Quarter Page (3 1/4" W x 4 5/8" H) - Price: \$100.00
- ☐ Half Page - Vertical (3 1/4" W x 9 1/2" H) - Price: \$200.00
- ☐ Half Page - Horizontal (6 3/4" x 4 5/8" H) - Price: \$200.00
- ☐ Full Page (6 3/4" x 9 1/2" H) - Price: \$400.00

Advertiser: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(Day): \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Only digital art will be accepted. Advertisers must provide the ad in PDF (Adobe Acrobat) exactly as it will be printed. There will be an additional charge for ads that must be altered to fit.

**Art Services:** Deadline for art service is January 9, 2015. We will not accept a faxed ad as artwork.

**Disclaimer:** The California Conference on American Indian Education Planning Committee reserves the right to reject any ad it deems inappropriate. Any monies paid will be refunded in full.

**Payment:** All ads must be accompanied by full payment. Purchase orders will not be accepted.

**Checks should be made out to: Four Winds of Indian Education c/o CCAIE**

**Mail check and copy of the ad agreement to:**

Four Winds of Indian Education Center  
c/o CCAIE  
2345 Fair Street  
Chico, CA 95928

**E-Mail art/copy of the ad agreement to:**

Chavela Delp  
cdelp@cde.ca.gov

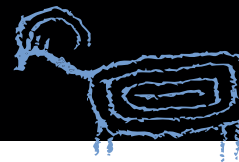
Authorization: I understand and agree with the requirements of this agreement.

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for placement of a \_\_\_\_\_ (size) advertisement.

Check number: \_\_\_\_\_ Money Order number: \_\_\_\_\_ Eventbrite #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Small fee is the responsibility of the registrant)

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# VENDOR APPLICATION



The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual California Conference on American Indian Education is a great way to promote your business, organization, or arts and crafts. The conference can accommodate 20 commercial spaces and 20 informational spaces. Vendor set-up time will be on Sunday, March 15, 2015, at noon.

**Full payment must be received prior to set-up.\*** Times for vendors begin at 8:00 am and end at 8:00 pm. Security will be provided from 8:00 pm to 8:00 am. Payment can be made online at: [http://www.ccaie.org/California\\_Conference\\_on\\_American\\_Indian\\_Education/Home.html](http://www.ccaie.org/California_Conference_on_American_Indian_Education/Home.html)

Exhibitor fees do not include any conference activities such as meals, conference registration, hotel rooms, travel costs, etc. Commercial vendors will be asked to contribute an item to the raffle valued at \$30 or more.

If you have additional requirements, please state and we will refer you to appropriate hotel staff.

## Please check type of booth:

☐ Informational \$150  
One 6' table provided and two chairs

☐ Commercial \$250  
Two 6' tables provided and two chairs

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Check number: \_\_\_\_\_ Money Order number: \_\_\_\_\_ Eventbrite #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Small fee is the responsibility of the registrant)

Organization/Business\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Affiliation (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks or money orders to Four Winds of Indian Education. Payments and application forms are due by January 9, 2015. Please send application to:

**Four Winds of Indian Education  
c/o CCAIE  
2345 Fair Street  
Chico, CA 95928**

*\*No application will be accepted without payment. Spaces will be assigned as payment is received and cleared.*

The CCAIE shall not assume responsibility for lost or damaged items or personal injuries. We also reserve the right to direct any vendor to remove any item we deem as inappropriate.

By my signature, I hereby understand and agree to the terms listed.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**For questions, please contact Judy Delgado at 916-319-0506 or by e-mail at [judelgado@cde.ca.gov](mailto:judelgado@cde.ca.gov) or Chavela Delp at 916-319-0609 or by e-mail at [cdelp@cde.ca.gov](mailto:cdelp@cde.ca.gov).**

*\*The Indian Arts and Craft Act of 1990 shall apply to all arts and crafts vendors.*

*The Indian Arts and Crafts Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-644) is a truth-in-advertising law that prohibits misrepresentation in marketing of Indian arts and crafts products within the United States. It is illegal to offer or display for sale, or sell any art or craft product in a manner that falsely suggests it is Indian produced, an Indian product, or the product of a particular Indian or Indian Tribe or Indian arts and crafts organization, resident within the United States. Under the Act, an Indian is defined as a member of any federally or State recognized Indian Tribe, or an individual certified as an Indian artisan by an Indian Tribe.*

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