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## From the President

*By Rosi Dennett*

Welcome to our September edition of the Calumet! I trust you've enjoyed a busy summer. Don't forget to let [Delane Mechling](#) know what archaeology projects you volunteered for this summer, so those important volunteer hours are documented.

We have numerous volunteer opportunities for IPCAS members in September and October. So don't be shy.....sign up and enjoy! We will continue our informational booth at the Boulder Farmer's Market on September 15 and more volunteers are needed. We had volunteers from the IPCAS Board working at the Boulder Creek Hometown Festival on Labor Day weekend. We talked with over a hundred people about Colorado archaeology. Many thanks to Christian Driver for spearheading these public outreach activities and all of the volunteers for staffing them.

IPCAS members are also invited to assist the Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks staff with the White Rocks rock art condition assessment. We will have a sign up sheet at the September meeting.



Rosi and Gretchen working the Boulder Creek Hometown Festival on Saturday, September 1st

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**TO SIGN UP!**

Let [Christian Driver](#) know, if you're interested in helping with that project.

We've got some interesting lectures lined up this fall. Boulder County's own Marilyn Martorano will present her research on lithophones in Colorado at our September 13th meeting. Marilyn will bring lithophones for lecture attendees to play. Dr. Adam Schneider (Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences) is scheduled to present his research on climate change and human impacts in 8th and 7th century BCE Assyria.

Starting September 13th, our monthly meetings will be at a new venue at 2520 55th Street in Boulder. The venue is located south of Pearl Parkway on 55th Street, next to the Boulder Daily Camera. The space is large and has ample free parking. I hope you will join us for Marilyn's presentation and to see our new space!

History Colorado recently hired a new assistant state archaeologist, Becca Simon, who will be our PAAC instructor. So look for the fall class schedule coming out soon.

Don't forget to sign up for the CAS Annual Meeting and Conference on September 22 in Cortez. Area field trips are planned for Friday and Sunday. Also, check out the gorgeous Navajo rug below to be raffled as a fund raiser for the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund. We have raffle tickets for sale! Contact [Delane Mechling](#) for tickets.

*-Rosi*





## Colorado Archaeological Society Annual Meeting

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# The 83rd Colorado Archaeological Society Annual Meeting

Cortez, Colorado

September 21-23, 2018

The 83rd Annual Meeting of the Colorado Archaeological Society will be held in Cortez, hosted by the Hisatsinom Chapter. Scheduled speakers include:

- Dr. Mark Stiger, (Western State Colorado University), on the Mountaineer Site
- Dr. Lynda McNeil, Arizona State University, on evidence of historical relationships among Western Basketmaker, Fremont, and Hopi Peoples
- Dr. Mark Varien, Shanna Diederichs, Dr. Susan Ryan, Grant Coffey, and Kristen Kuckelman on selected current research through time in Montezuma County
- William Tsosie Jr., Tribal Archaeologist, Navajo Nation Heritage and Historic Preservation Office
- Alice Hamilton Scholarship student Andrew Bair
- Keynote speech by Regina Lopez-Whiteskunk (Ute Mountain Ute Tribe) on Indigenous Living Knowledge

There will be field trips to the Ute Mountain Tribal Park (lead by Virginia Wolf), Square Tower House (Mesa Verde National Park, lead by Kay Barnett), the Haynie Site (lead by Susan Ryan), and Mitchell Springs (lead by Dave Dove). To sign up for a fieldtrip, [review the fieldtrip information](#) and email [casannualmeeting2018@gmail.com](mailto:casannualmeeting2018@gmail.com) to reserve your spot. They're quickly filling up!

Sign up for the conference online through Member365:

[Sign up for Colorado Archaeological Society and Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists members](#)

Visit [indianpeaksarchaeology.org](http://indianpeaksarchaeology.org) for more information and for registration links!

Thank you to the [Hisatsinom chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society](#) for hosting 2018's Colorado Archaeological Society Annual Meeting!

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## IPCAS Lectures

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**When: Thursday, September 13th at 7:00 pm**

**Where: OSMP Hub ([Google Maps link](#))**

2520 55th Street

Boulder, CO 80301

**Cost: Free and Open to the Public**

**Marilyn A. Martorano - Martorano Consultants LLC**

### **Did these ground stone artifacts play the first hard rock music? What we know about lithophones in Colorado**

A new class of prehistoric artifacts called portable lithophones has been identified from Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, Colorado. “Litho” is Greek for stone and “phone” means sound; a lithophone is a musical instrument consisting of a purposely-selected rock (often formally-shaped) that is tapped or rubbed with friction to produce musical notes. Portable and stationary lithophones have been utilized in ancient and modern cultures around the world. Only a few portable, highly-modified lithophones have been formally recognized in North America and none have been previously documented in Colorado. The artifacts being studied were originally thought to have functioned as manos, pestles, and/or digging tools. However, testing has verified their acoustical properties. Twenty-two lithophones were analyzed as part of a State Historical Fund archaeological assessment grant and their characteristics will be discussed. A few sample lithophones will also be demonstrated.

**Marilyn A. Martorano**, is the owner/archaeologist of Martorano Consultants LLC in Longmont and has over 40 years of experience in cultural resource management in the Rocky Mountain region. She holds an MA in Anthropology from Colorado State University. Marilyn’s research interests include Culturally Modified Trees (CMTs), the archaeology of early Hispano settlements and the Old Spanish National Historic Trail (OSNHT) in the San Luis Valley, and the newly-identified prehistoric artifact type in Colorado called *lithophones*, an ancient musical instrument made of rock. Marilyn is a Registered Professional Archaeologist (RPA). She received the 2015 Colorado State Archaeologist’s Award for her work with CMTs and a 2018 History Colorado Hart Award for archaeological work at the Bromley/Koizuma/Hishinuma Farm.

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**On Thursday, September 13th, 2018 at 7:00pm, IPCAS is pleased to present...**

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**Dr. Adam Schneider**

*Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences*

# Indigenous Peoples' Day in Boulder

*By Katy Waechter*

*City of Boulder*

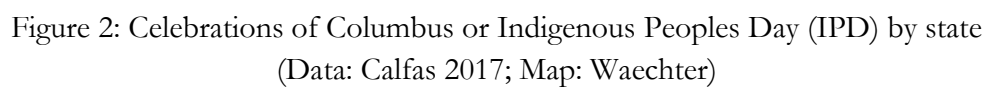
On October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Boulder will celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day for the third time. It's a day set aside to celebrate the cultures, histories, and contributions of indigenous peoples in the United States. Indigenous Peoples Day is part of a national effort to recognize and honor the existence and achievements of the original inhabitants of North America. The day usually falls on Columbus Day, the second Monday in October, or replaces Columbus Day entirely.

Starting in 1907, Colorado was the first state to observe Columbus Day (Noel 2010). After designation in Colorado, a local activist (Angelo Noce) behind the holiday campaigned nationwide until his death in 1922, at which time 34 other states had officially adopted the holiday. Columbus Day became a federal holiday in 1937, in part because of efforts by Roman Catholic Italian Americans. During the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century, members of the stigmatized ethnic and religious group successfully campaigned to establish a Columbus Day in order to place Catholic Italians, like Christopher Columbus, into American history.

The Columbus Day holiday has been widely criticized since the early 1990s in American communities (Feeney 2014). Critics argue that the holiday does not celebrate the discovery of America, but honors the systematic genocide and colonization of the people indigenous to the land instead. The United Nations declared August 9<sup>th</sup> as the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples in 1994, which was preceded by Berkeley, California. Berkeley's City Council recognized Indigenous Peoples Day in 1992 to challenge the idea that Christopher Columbus "discovered" America with his 1492 voyage when the North American continent alone was home to dozens of millions of people. Canada annually celebrates National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21<sup>st</sup> in recognition of the unique heritage, diverse cultures, and outstanding achievements of the nation's aboriginal peoples (First Nations, Inuit, and Métis).



Figure 1: Boulder's Indigenous Peoples' Day Logo (City of Boulder)



Indigenous Peoples Day celebrations have been adopted by cities and counties across the United States, including Denver, Albuquerque, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Portland, and Seattle. Several other cities are weighing alternatives to Columbus Day, namely replacing celebrations of Columbus with those of indigenous peoples, including New York City, Washington, D. C., Austin, Texas. As shown in Figure 2, only four states (Alaska, Minnesota, South Dakota, Vermont) officially observe an Indigenous Peoples Day while two additional states do not observe Columbus Day (Hawaii, Oregon). Municipalities across the United States officially observe an Indigenous Peoples Day, including nine cities in California alone (Figure 3). Except for the state of South Dakota, which adopted the similar Native American Day in place of Columbus Day in 1990, non-federal government entities that have chosen to celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day instead have done so only recently: Minneapolis and Seattle voted to celebrate the day in 2014 while Denver and Boulder voted to celebrate the day in 2016.

Boulder was the fourteenth city to designate an Indigenous Peoples' Day (Bounds 2016). More than 80% of Native Americans in Colorado live in the Denver-Boulder metropolitan area and represent over 150 tribes (Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs 2017). It's significant that three Colorado Front Range cities have recognized the need for more public recognition of Native Americans and acted to designate Indigenous Peoples Days. This initiative remains an important issue for archaeologists and anthropologists because of the social and political benefits of our discipline, which may help us grapple with the colonial legacies of our discipline and to promote community-based archaeological work that includes indigenous peoples (Colwell-Chanthaphonh et al., 2010). As stated in 2016 by the Governor of Colorado's Commission to Study American Indian Representation in Public Schools Chair Clement Frost (Southern Ute Tribe):

“At both a national and regional level, it is important to realign the public's knowledge toward a more whole, realistic historical perspective and provide opportunities to share the stories, culture and history of the Indigenous Peoples of North America.”

Boulder's Indigenous Peoples' Day started as a community-initiated project with the assistance of Mary Young, the City of Boulder Mayor pro tem. A citizen working group, including local historians with native activists and professionals, formed to push for the City of Boulder to formally adopt a resolution acknowledging the role and responsibility of Boulder for historical injustices to Native Americans and a list of actions for the City of Boulder to take to begin reconciliation, including renaming of a commemoratively named trailhead (Settlers Park), incorporation of indigenous-generated curricula in local schools, recognition of indigenous places, as well as the availability of cultural programming that represented indigenous peoples of the area. The working group expressed commitment to two objectives in the resolution process: First is a focus on the Boulder area and its significance to Native American culture. Second is an accurate history of Native interaction with the Europeans who arrived largely in the 19th century. In response to the committee's proposal, a resolution was passed by City Council on Aug. 2, 2016 that officially recognizes Indigenous Peoples Day (Burness 2016). The Boulder City Council sponsored a video about the process and importance of Indigenous Peoples' Day, which can be viewed at <https://vimeo.com/234526951>.





Figure 4: Poet Tanaya Winder (Southern Ute, Duckwater Shoshone, and Pyramid Lake Paiute) speaking during the *Indigenous In Boulder* panel on October 9, 2017. Also pictured: Kalee Salaar (Taos Pueblo/Santa Ana Pueblo), Elicia Goodsholdier (Dine, Spirit Lake Dakota), Heather Whiteman Runs Him (Crow), and Ava Hamilton (Northern Arapaho).

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Last year, celebrations in Boulder included cultural competency trainings by a local advocacy group (Right Relationship Boulder), an open house hosted by the Native American Rights Fund with performances by members of the American Indian Youth Leadership Institute, an open house hosted by the City of Boulder, poetry readings and discussions by indigenous scholars at the Motus Theater, a mini pow-wow at the Boulder Bandshell, and multiple documentary screenings of local and regional films. This year's Indigenous Peoples' Day events are sponsored jointly by the Boulder Human Relations Commission and the Boulder Arts Council. For list of updated events on this year's celebration of Indigenous Peoples' Day, visit [bouldercolorado.gov/community-relations/indigenous-peoples-day](http://bouldercolorado.gov/community-relations/indigenous-peoples-day), which will also be cross-posted to [indianpeaksarchaeology.org](http://indianpeaksarchaeology.org).

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- IPCAS receives a portion of all [IPCAS Zazzle store](#) purchases. Don't forget to pick up some IPCAS gear!
- You can [donate online to IPCAS](#) to help us fund outreach, trips, and other events.

## SEPTEMBER EVENTS CALANDER

Lectures			
9/10 1:00 PM	Hill's Gold	History Colorado, 1200 Broadway, Denver	
9/12 7:00 PM	Damned If We Do and Damned if We Don't: A Social History of the River Basin Surveys and the Interagency Archaeological Salvage Program	Medical Center of the Rockies, Arapahoe Peak Room, 2500 Rocky Mountain Avenue, Loveland	
9/15 8:00 AM	IPCAS Booth at Boulder Farmers Market	Civic Center Park, 13th and Canyon, Boulder	
9/18 7:00 PM	TBD	Fire Station #9, 2490 Research Parkway, Colorado Springs	
9/21 10:00 AM	Colorado Historic Preservation Review Board	History Colorado, 1200 Broadway, Denver	
9/22 10:30 AM	Community Connect to Collections Day	History Colorado, 1200 Broadway, Denver	
9/24 1:00 PM	Trinidad Colorado: A legacy of resilience and recreation	History Colorado, 1200 Broadway, Denver	
9/26 7:00 PM	Painted Reflections: Isometric Design in Ancestral Puebloan Pottery	CU Museum of Natural History, 15th and Broadway, Boulder	
9/28 9:00 AM	White Rocks Rock Art Condition Assessment	2520 55th Street, Boulder	
9/29 1:30 PM	Colorado Women Lecture: Pike's Peak or Bust	History Colorado, 1200 Broadway, Denver	
Conferences			
9/21-9/24	Colorado Archaeological Society Annual Meeting	Cortez, Colorado	<a href="#">Visit IPCAS page for links!</a>
9/25	PAAC Survey: Eldorado Springs Canyon	Eldorado Springs	

As always, if you know of any events, lectures, exhibits, or fieldtrips you would like added to our events calendar, please send an email to [indianpeaksarchaeology@gmail.com](mailto:indianpeaksarchaeology@gmail.com)

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